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## JAPAN PANAY NOTE PLEDGES NO MORE ATTACKS

### U.S. Tightens Up Anti-espionage Drive On Coast

Campaign Indicated By Seizure of Orient-bound Letters at San Francisco

#### Japanese Fish Boat Detained

LOS ANGELES (AP)—The United States navy tightened its guard over the Pacific coast from Washington to California today as seizure of Orient-bound letters and a Japanese fishing boat by customs agents hinted at a widespread anti-espionage drive.

Destroyers continued patrol off San Diego and San Pedro, fleet bases, while the Mare Island navy yard in San Francisco Bay was ringed with extra guards.

Reports of a raid Thursday on the Japanese liner Tatsuta Maru by customs agents just before sailing time at San Francisco were published today and given official confirmation by U.S. Attorney Frank J. Hennessy.

#### BREMERTON YARD

The agents garnered a sheaf of letters declared by The San Francisco Chronicle to be connected with operations and activity at the Bremerton navy yard on Puget Sound.

Hennessy said he did not know the letters' contents. The Chronicle asserted customs agents and postal inspectors had redoubled vigilance in recent weeks in an effort to intercept suspicious mail addressed to Far Eastern destinations.

Seizure at Los Angeles harbor Thursday of a 100-foot tuna clipper, the Nancy Hanks, registered to a United States-born Japanese, was followed by an announcement from federal officials another, and possible five more boats suspected of Japanese ownership, would be detained.

They alleged the Nancy Hanks actually was owned by F. Suzuki, a Japanese subject, although flying the United States flag and entering port duty free for more than five years.

#### BIG SUM UNPAID

A libel-in-admiralty action, filed against the clipper, would allow its sale for damages, if upheld. Nearly \$1,000,000 in unpaid duties are involved for the seven suspected craft, federal officers asserted.

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### Oregon Roads Blocked By Snow

BEND, Ore. (AP)—The heaviest snowstorm of the season in the central Oregon Cascades closed the McKenzie Pass and the North Santiam Highway today.

The highway department reported the east entrance to Diamond Lake blocked. Barriers were placed at the McKenzie Highway approach as deep drifts formed in the big cut east of the lava beds.

## RESISTANCE AT TERUEL ENDED

Spanish Loyalist Troops Capture Buildings Where 400 Rebels Held Out

MADRID (AP)—General staff headquarters of the central front announced today all insurgent resistance within Teruel had been crushed.

Buildings in which 400 insurgent troops made a last stand, after government capture on the provincial capital, 115 miles east of Madrid, were taken this morning, the announcement said.

The cathedral, a seminary and city hall were the last buildings

### Old-fashioned Christmas Here

Sunshine With Snow Lying On Ground Is Forecast For Victoria

A real old-fashioned Christmas, with snow lying on the ground and the sun shining, is indicated for Victoria in a forecast issued this morning by the director of the Dominion Meteorological Observatory here, W. A. Thorn.

Clearing skies without much change in temperature and with less wind, or none at all, are prophesied by Mr. Thorn—and his prophecies so far have proved exceptionally right.

The wind, which yesterday started in the northeast and moved to north, had shifted to southwest this morning, but Mr. Thorn expected it to return to the northwest.

The lowest temperature during the night was 28 degrees. At 10 this morning it had risen exactly to freezing point, 32 degrees.

One and one-half inches of snow fell during the 24 hours ending at 10 this morning.

Despite the treacherous condition of the roads police reported a minimum of minor traffic accidents. The slippery surfaces tended towards greater care among drivers, with the result that all cars proceeded with extreme caution.

### COLD STORAGE CLAIM FAILS

Bondholders' Action Against Victoria Dismissed By Mr. Justice McDonald

VANCOUVER (CP)—Mr. Justice D. A. McDonald in the B.C. Supreme Court today dismissed an action of Victoria Cold Storage and Terminal Warehouse Company Ltd. and George E. Porter, Montreal accountant, to recover \$35,000 from the city of Victoria.

In the original action taken before the court in Vancouver early this month, the bondholders sought \$165,000 which they claimed was due them for allegedly guaranteed earnings on the cold storage plant.

The city's counsel, during the hearing, succeeded in establishing the fact bondholders could lay no claim to earnings for four years preceding this year. As a result the claim was reduced from \$165,000 to the \$35,000, the amount they claimed for one year's earnings.

At the close of the hearing, Mr. Justice McDonald reserved his decision.

H. A. Maclean, K.C., and H. S. Pringle, city solicitor, conducted the city's case, with Senator J. W. deB. Farris, K.C., representing the bondholders.

## ISLAND COAL OUTPUT GAINS

Continuing the gains shown throughout the year Vancouver Island coal production in November was about 15 per cent higher than the corresponding month of last year, according to the chief inspector of mines report issued today.

Island output for the month placed at 71,459 tons compared with 62,851 tons last year.

In the province as a whole production for the month was 110,095 tons, compared with 108,760 tons last year.

### Times' Best Wishes

The Times extends to all its heartiest good wishes for a merry Christmas.

There will be no issue of the paper on Christmas Day. The next regular edition will be placed in the hands of the readers on Monday.

### Motor-chair Is Newsboy's Christmas Present



Leonard Metcalfe, crippled newsboy of The Times, was presented with a motor-driven wheel chair by David Leeming and Frank Bickford, on behalf of the Show Boat, yesterday afternoon. The chair which was built by Edward Allen and George Butler in their spare time, is powered with a one-horsepower engine capable of 15 miles an hour. The money for the chair was provided at a benefit performance given on the Show Boat at the end of August. Metcalfe is shown in his chair which is provided with a cover and suitable clothing for bad weather. The others in the picture are, from left to right: Frank Bickford, David Leeming, Edward Allen and George Butler.

## B.C.'s Christmas Stocking Bulging With New Wealth

Primary Production in 1937 Is Estimated at \$220,000,000

British Columbia's Christmas stocking this year is filled with some \$220,000,000 in the shape of new wealth created by its four primary industries during 1937.

Production was estimated by provincial statisticians today at about \$30,000,000 greater than last year, up 16 per cent.

The big lumbering industry, enjoyed one of its best years with an output estimated at \$70,000,000, up 10 per cent from last year's production of \$72,000,000. The scale of logs cut was nearly 3,000,000 board feet, and overseas exports were only a little short of last year's all-time record.

Mining took a big jump forward with production estimated at \$70,000,000, an increase of 30 per cent over the 1936 total of \$54,000,000. A record output of gold, worth more than \$15,000,000, plus renewed activity and higher prices in the base metals of lead and zinc were the chief factors.

Farmers did much better this year and their production on all sides is valued at about \$53,230,000, or an increase of 15 per cent over the 1936 value of \$46,669,735.

Fisheries held their own with a production of approximately \$17,500,000. The salmon pack was smaller due to the cycle year, but value of all fisheries work out just slightly better than 1936.

Hand in hand with the gains in primary industries went more employment, larger payrolls and less unemployment relief.

So the province's Christmas stocking is overflowing with wealth of its natural resources.

### Leaders Extend Christmas Wishes

Provincial, civic and municipal leaders in Victoria and the surrounding districts today extended heartfelt Christmas greetings to the public at large.

While some noted unsettled conditions in other parts of the world, each expressed the hope of greater progress than ever for British Columbia next year.

Following are the Christmas messages:

### Stamp Sales Show Business Growing

OTTAWA (CP)—Postage stamp sales in the eight months ended November 30 were \$1,058,622 higher this year, the Post Office Department announced today.

Total postage sold from April 1 to November 30 this year was \$25,275,256, compared with \$24,216,634 last year, the result of increased general business activity, according to departmental officials.

### Justice McEvoy, Ontario, Dies

TORONTO (CP)—Mr. Justice J. A. McEvoy of the Ontario Supreme Court died today after a brief illness from pneumonia.

Mr. Justice McEvoy, 55, was born at L'Orignal, Ont., and went to public school there. He attended high school at Hawkesbury and graduated in arts from the University of Toronto in 1903.

He studied law at Osgoode Hall and was called to the Ontario bar in 1906, practicing continually in Ontario since then.

## Victorian Slugged In Terminal City

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Police said a piece of lead pipe was found near the spot and marks in the snow indicated a struggle. Stewart reported seeing two men run from the scene shortly before he found the injured man.

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## Harbor Wharf Will Be Built

Dominion Advises R. W. Mayhew of \$6,500 Appropriation For Local Project

The Dominion Government has made an appropriation of \$6,500 for the long-sought fish wharf to be constructed in the Inner Harbor, according to word received today from Ottawa by R. W. Mayhew, M.P.

Mr. Mayhew recently lent his support to efforts of the Chamber of Commerce to have this wharf constructed as a mooring centre for locally-owned fishing boats during the winter. At the present time these craft tie up at various points in the harbor.

Action on the proposed dredging of the Outer Harbor was also indicated in word received by the Chamber of Commerce today that J. P. Forde, federal engineer, will come from Vancouver shortly to confer with pilots and representatives of transportation companies on the project.

This question has recently been actively taken up by a special committee of the Chamber of Commerce, which has also had Mr. Mayhew's support.

#### ABERHART IN VANCOUVER

VANCOUVER (CP)—Greeted by a fresh snowfall, Premier William Aberhart of Alberta arrived in Vancouver today to spend Christmas with his daughter, Mrs. C. A. McNutt, and her family.

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## Tokio Offers Amends To U.S. As Gunboat Officer Says Flags Marked Craft

In Note to Washington Japanese Government States All Its Forces in China Now Have Strict Orders to Avoid Any Such "Mistake" as Led to Bombing and Sinking of Panay; Report of Commander J. J. Hughes of Panay, Made Public in U.S., Says His Craft Bombed by Japanese Fliers From as Low as 100 Feet

### Board's Report Out Tomorrow

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Panay's wounded commander reported officially today the United States gunboat was sunk without warning by Japanese naval planes, which he said flew as low as "perhaps one or two hundred feet" to drop their bombs.

Lieut. Commander James J. Hughes also said the Yanktze River craft was marked with huge flags when the attack was made December 12. The weather was clear and there was "good visibility," he noted.

His report was made public by the Navy Department after it had been read by President Roosevelt and Secretary of State Hull.

#### ARMY OFFICER'S VISIT

Lieut. Commander Hughes' detailed, chronological story was dispatched—by wireless—from Shanghai in advance of the findings of a formal board of inquiry. That report will be published tomorrow.

Lieut. Commander Hughes related: 1. Three hours before the first unexpected aerial onslaught by two naval planes, the Panay was boarded by a Japanese army officer, who vainly sought information on the movements of Chinese troops.

2. The first attack came without warning from two Japanese naval planes, which power-dived from an altitude of "about 4,000 feet."

3. The Panay, marked by two horizontal United States flags 18 by 14 feet, freshly painted on her top deck, was subjected to 56 minutes of intensive bombing and machine-gunning. The commander estimated the little ship must have received 24 direct hits.

4. Hughes, severely wounded by the first bomb explosion, said he was informed two small boats bearing wounded to the river bank were machine-gunned by the attacking planes.

5. Lying wounded on the shore after his sinking ship had been abandoned, he heard the rattle of machine guns and was informed an armed Japanese boat was firing on the Panay.

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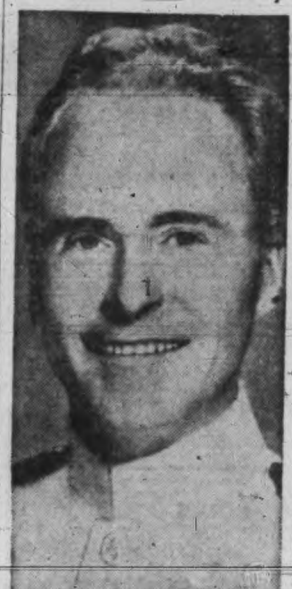
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### Tells About Panay



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## Hangchow Falls To Japan Troops

Chinese Seaport Reported to Have Capitulated to Avoid Destruction

SHANGHAI (AP)—Japanese announced Friday night that Hangchow, rich Chinese seaport and capital of Chekiang province 100 miles southwest of Shanghai, had been captured by troops which simultaneously entered all the city's gates.

There was no information immediately on the extent of fighting around Hangchow, but indications were the city had capitulated to avoid bombing, shelling and street fighting.

Earlier Friday night Japanese had reported encircling units within five miles of Hangchow and declared the Chinese defenders were cut off.

The Japanese spokesman also announced that a strong Japanese force had crossed the Yellow River in Shantung province, ob-

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### Japan to Respect Foreign Rights

TOKIO (AP)—The Japanese government Friday delivered to the United States ambassador a note pledging amends for the sinking of the United States Gunboat Panay and asserting that "definite and specific steps" to prevent a recurrence had been taken.

The note, while holding the sinking of the Panay, December 12, in the Yangtze River above Nanking, was "entirely due to a mistake," nevertheless said:

"The Japanese navy has issued without delay strict orders to exercise the greatest caution in every area where warships and other vessels of America or any other third power are present, in order to avoid a recurrence of a similar mistake, even at the sacrifice of strategic advantage in attacking Chinese troops."

"Furthermore, rigid orders have been issued to the military, naval and Foreign Office authorities to pay, in the light of the present untoward incident, greater attention than hitherto to observance of instructions that have been repeatedly given against infringement or unwarranted interference with rights or interests of the United States and other third powers."

Foreign Minister Koki Hirota personally handed the note to United States Ambassador Joseph C. Grew at 7 Friday night (2 a.m. P.S.T.) after approval by the cabinet and sanction of Emperor Hirohito.

### NOT READ IN JAPAN

The text was not published in Japan.

Hirota did not make clear how the responsible bombers were punished except they were dealt with "according to law."

### SPEEDIER MESSAGES

The note set forth "the Japanese government are studying carefully every possible means of achieving more effectively the above stated aims, while they already have taken steps to ascertain, in still closer contact with American authorities in China, the whereabouts of American

## Japan's Note Is Studied in U.S.

WASHINGTON (AP)—United States State Department officials declined today to comment on Japan's reply to the American protest over the bombing and sinking of the U.S. gunboat Panay. They said they had not had an opportunity to study the complete text.

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## LEADERS EXTEND CHRISTMAS WISHES

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"The year 1937 marks an important milestone on the vial of the world's march but it is only one of the many which bear so profound influence upon those to follow.

"Neither nationally nor individually can we foresee all that 1938 may bring, yet I think we can look forward with confidence and an abiding faith that good will outweigh evil.

"I wish everyone the secret satisfaction that is within ourselves.

**R. W. MAYHEW, M.P. ELECT**

"Of all the conflicting echoes in the world today, I believe the one that will finally triumph and lead the world to a happier and saner way of living, will be the echo of the old and oft-repeated wish of 'Peace on earth, good will to men.' Canada can well be proud that her voice is producing such an echo today. Long may it continue. May my wish of a Merry Christmas to the citizens of Greater Victoria swell the volume of that echo."

**MAYOR ANDREW MCGAVIN**

"As mayor of the city I am glad to extend Christmas greetings to the citizens of Victoria and to the strangers within our gates. 'It is unfortunate we cannot rejoice that we have a world at peace. Many great nations are at war, which makes for unrest and fear in other lands, and the old watchword, 'Peace on earth, and goodwill to men,' seems forsaken and forgotten.

"With us the Christmas season is one when older people regain their youthful joys in bringing as much happiness and pleasure as possible to children.

"May I hope that all our citizens, both old and young, will have a happy Christmas Day and the same happiness each day after it until it comes again. May I also hope that when our next Christmas Day does come we shall know real peace among men and the old wish, 'A Happy Christmas,' will be a real wish with a real meaning."

**REEVE R. R. TAYLOR**  
(Oak Bay)

"On behalf of myself and council of the municipality of Oak Bay I wish to extend to all heartiest greetings at this Christmas time. As this year has shown a marked improvement, I hope it may be reflected in the enjoyment by all of this festive season. We have a lot to be thankful for in this country, and trust that we may all share in the joy and happiness which is ours."

**REEVE A. LOCKLEY**  
(Esquimalt)

"I am pleased to once again have the opportunity of extending Christmas greetings. Conditions in Esquimalt have shown a great improvement over the previous year, and the prospects for the near future are indeed bright.

"I wish every resident of Esquimalt and other sections of Greater Victoria a very bright and happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year."

**REEVE WILLIAM CROUCH**  
(Saanic)

"Another year is drawing to a close, and on looking back I can see many things I should have done, and many things I have done that would have been better left undone, but I suppose it is so with all of us.

"My chief thought at the pres-

ent time is that the spirit of justice may work more and more within the hearts of all of us, so that we may practice a little more, and preach a little less, with kindly feelings of brotherhood to our fellowmen, which will tend more and more to that spirit on earth and goodwill towards men.

"My sincere good wishes to all our people. I trust that one and all may have a happy and joyful Christmas."

## BOARD'S REPORT OUT TO-MORROW

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6. Everyone aboard the gunboat, loaded with diplomatic officials and refugees from Nanking, 20 miles downstream, "acted with fine courage and initiative. Three men lost their lives.

Lieut. Commander Hughes said the Standard Oil river steamers Mel-ping, Meishia and Melan, miscellaneous launches and junkies. He stressed the precautions taken to forestall any attack due to mistaken identity.

The oil boats went down with the Panay, or were beached.

## STOPPED ON SIGNAL

At 9.40 a.m., when the Panay was moving upstream 15 miles from Nanking, Japanese soldiers signalled from the bank. The little squadron came to a halt, and Lieut. Sheseyo Murakami came aboard from a tender carrying about 90 heavily-armed men.

He demanded to know their movements, Lieut. Commander Hughes reported, and then sought information about Chinese troops, which was refused.

The first attack came at 1.29 p.m., after, Hughes said, the Panay had anchored in "a broad open space" in the river, where the ships were "easily visible."

The first explosion, he related, knocked him unconscious for a minute or two. When he came to, his injury made it impossible for him to stand. From the bridge, he was helped down to the ship's gallery, where he could hear the Panay's machine-gun firing.

The crew meanwhile was carrying on under the direction of Lieut. Arthur Anders, who had been shot through the throat.

## ATTACKED IN RELAYS

"From then on the planes bombed us continuously until about 2.25 p.m., Hughes said. "They appeared to be attacking us in relays of two or three each. The first group that came over bombed from a considerable altitude which kept them beyond range of our Lewis machine gun. "Later, when the Panay was visibly smashed up, they came much closer and not only let go their bombs from low altitudes of perhaps one or two hundred feet, but also machine-gunned our decks, firing as they came down diving."

About 2.02 p.m. Lieut. Commander Hughes said he gave the order to abandon ship.

## U.S. TIGHTENS UP ANTI-ESPIONAGE DRIVE ON COAST

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Meanwhile, several destroyers prowled southern California waters in what navy officials sources continued to describe as "routine."

They "tailed" ships, including the Japanese freighter Kanai Maru, into Los Angeles harbor, the coastguard aiding.

At San Diego, the navy patrol halted and investigated several

fishing boats, although few of Japanese operation dock there.

## MEXICANS WATCHING

It was reported here the Mexican government has ordered its gunboats to keep close check on the activities of Japanese fishing boats off the coasts of Lower California and Sonora, following allegations alien hydrographic experts were sounding and charting the waters.

California has approximately 1,000 commercial fishing craft owned or manned by aliens, Japanese comprising about half this number.

Customs, immigration and coastguard officials, it was learned, have been checking on ownership.

The navy has made no explanation for its sudden and intense watchfulness at key points along the Pacific coast this week.

Twenty navy ships are now tied up at the Mare Island yard and 400 sailors and marines are on guard duty. Non-naval ships passing in the channel are warned away.

## GUARDS AT PORT

Armed guards appeared at San Diego harbor Monday night when nine World War destroyers were transferred to San Pedro in a surprise order. Five other destroyers have followed, some engaging in patrols around San Clemente Island, where the navy has military stores.

Unofficial local observers surmised three factors in this "routine."

A squadron of destroyers pos-

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sibly may leave for Hawaii after the holidays in connection with a special phase of the fleet's 1938 problem.

## HANGCHOW FALLS TO JAPAN TROOPS

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taining a foothold on its southern bank. He did not state where the crossing was made, but indicated it was in the vicinity of Tsinan, provincial capital.

Since Japanese had declared at Tientsin that Chinese who had destroyed Japanese mills at Tsingtao, Shantung province seaport, would face "drastic punitive action," it was believed the Japanese had begun a general Shantung offensive.

## FIFTH BIG CITY

Hangchow was the fifth in China's great cities to fall into the hands of the invaders, who already had hoisted the Rising Sun flag in Peiping, Tientsin, Shanghai and Nanking.

United States authorities meanwhile made strong representations to the Japanese over the reported throwing of a U.S. flag into the Yangtze River at Wuhu, December 13. Consul-General Clarence Gauss asked a complete investigation of the incident at



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the Yangtze River port 60 miles upstream from Nanking.

Independent reports received here said Japanese soldiers completing occupation of Wuhu had seized a ship owned by an American-operated hospital there, pulled down its United States flag and thrown it into the Yangtze.

Thus far, it was estimated, the Japanese invasion has cost China

\$750,000,000 in property damage, thousands of civilians killed and dislocation of trade, resulting in unemployment and starvation for other thousands.

In addition, British, Americans and other foreigners have counted losses running into \$2,000,000 in the fighting at Shanghai.



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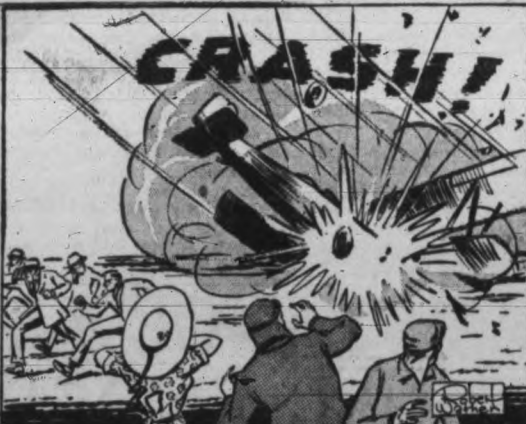


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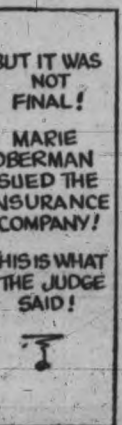
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By L. Allen Heine

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## SCHOOL BOARD HEAD RETIRES

S. J. Drake in Oak Bay Not  
to Seek Re-election; Others  
Run Again

By present indications S. J. Drake, chairman of the Oak Bay School Board, will be the only one of the eight elected municipal officers whose terms expire this year not to seek re-election at the municipal polls January 22.

Reeve R. R. Taylor, three



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councillors, two school board members and a police commissioner have all indicated they will run again.

The three councillors, whose terms expire this year, are W. L. Woodhouse, P. Archie Gibbs and J. V. Johnson.

Reeve Taylor has served two years in the reeveship and three as a councillor. Councillor Johnson has served four years and Councillors Gibbs and Woodhouse, two each.

The two school board members seeking re-election are R. W. Murdock, who has been on the board six years, and C. Nickerson, who has served two years.

W. A. Burnett is the police commissioner who is running again. He has served two years.

### NEW CANDIDATE

Only one new candidate has so far come forward in Oak Bay. Colin H. Rutherford, 1227 Beach Drive, has announced he will seek the school board seat vacated by Mr. Drake.

### MAN KILLED BY DOGS

WICHITA FALLS, Tex. (AP)—L. G. Brown, 71, died Thursday of wounds he suffered in a fight with four bulldogs, two of which he slew with a pocket knife.

## STREET NAMED FOR MAYHEW

Oak Bay Council Honors  
Member-elect and Former  
Reeve

R. W. Mayhew, Victoria's M.P.-elect, will have a permanent memorial in the municipality of which he was for three years reeve.

Yesterday evening the Oak Bay Council decreed that a new street linking Thompson and Dewdney Avenues should be called Mayhew Street. They came to their decision in the presence of Mr. Mayhew himself, for whom the honor came as a complete surprise.

Victoria's member now has his name on the map at two points. After accepting the honor from the council he recounted how Alf Price, a close friend of his and one-time general manager of the Canadian Pacific Railway's eastern lines, had renamed a tiny station near Renfrew in Ontario Mayhew. The twist of the story came in the fall, however, for proudly telling two friends that he now had a town named after him, he discovered to his mortification that the new Mayhew was the very station at which the three of them had once been put off a train by an irate conductor and told never to get on again.

Mayhew Street was named at the suggestion of Reeve R. R. Taylor after Mr. Mayhew had come to convey his personal thanks to the council for a letter of congratulation sent to him after his election.

In a brief speech Mr. Mayhew congratulated the council, as a ratepayer, on the manner in which it carried on its business and on its successful management of the municipality.

He offered Oak Bay any serv-

ice which he could do while at Ottawa.

Mr. Mayhew was a councillor in Oak Bay in 1931 and 1932, and reeve in 1933, 1934 and 1935.

## Naval Veterans Treat Kiddies

Children of members of the Naval Veterans' Branch of the Canadian Legion had a merry time yesterday afternoon at the annual Christmas tree party staged by the unit in the K of P. Hall, Broad Street. About 125 mothers also attended.

The role of Santa Claus was taken by George Martin, who from a large array of presents arranged around a brightly decorated Christmas tree, presented each child with a gift and a bag of candy and fruit.

Johnny Gow staged his Punch and Judy show. Other entertainers were: Irene Thomas, recitations and Dutch dances; Trace Roskelly, tap dances; and Jerry Schofield, accompanist.

President H. R. Dawe welcomed the youngsters after which games and carol singing were enjoyed.

George A. Renton was chairman of the committee in charge, assisted by F. Cryderman, F. Biles, H. Temple, H. Thomas, E. Fieldhouse, J. Witcomb and H. R. Dawe. Refreshments were served by Mrs. F. L. Elliott, Mrs. H. Temple, Mrs. J. Fieldhouse, Mrs. W. McBay and Mrs. C. Gup.

The Canadian Pensioners' Association was host to 40 children of pensioners and their dependents in their headquarters, in the Pemberton Building. Both cash and gifts were given to the children. The party lasted from 1 to 3.30. Ice cream was served. Thanks was extended to those who donated gifts.

## SCALE OF LOGS UP ONE-TENTH

Output of lumber from British Columbia's forests this year is about 10 per cent ahead of 1936, according to log scale figures for the first 11 months compiled by the provincial forest branch.

Scale of cut up to the end of November was 2,810,650,212 board feet compared with 2,578,585,164 board feet last year. November scale was 271,439,636 feet against 254,370,200 last year.

Besides the straight lumber, the 11 months production included 20,363,309 lineal feet of timber against 12,169,168 feet last year, 141,451 cords of wood against 155,853 last year and 1,137,529 hewn ties against 1,283,756 in 1936.

The log scale was heavier despite a slight falling off in overseas lumber shipments which to the end of November were 1,022,286,120 board feet as compared with 1,083,690,654 board feet last year.

The United Kingdom market, taking more than half the exported lumber, increased its purchases for the period from 594,555,943 to 597,053,517 board feet, and shipments to Australia went up from 113,132,830 to 149,473,246 board feet; but there was a reduction from 98,967,592 to 46,361,516 board feet in Chinese sales and from 56,020,443 to 41,109,933 in shipments to South Africa. Japan took 30,387,668 against 26,914,196 board feet.

Toward the end of the year there has been a distinct falling off in the overseas export. November totals were 85,005,160 board feet compared with 111,437,735 feet in November, 1936. December shipments are also reported smaller.

## FORESEES BIG LIGHT SAVING

City Department Can Cut  
Budget Half-mill, Alder-  
man Hawkins Says

Reorganization of the city's electric light department, accomplished with a substantial saving this year, will account for further saving of \$15,446 next year provided the committee carries through the policy recommended by the 1937 group, Alderman T. W. Hawkins told the City Council yesterday in his annual report.

The statement, given for the information of the council, stated the actual cost of the change-over from the obsolete form of street lighting to the new method adopted this year had amounted to \$6,195. The actual saving for the year was \$6,833, made up of expenditure reductions amounting to \$700 in salaries, \$2,523 in electric power, \$3,500 in supplies and revenue of \$100 from the sale of junk.

"In addition," the report read, "there is a quantity of new material on hand for disposal and this material is being offered in various quarters with a view to realizing the best price possible."

The committee recommended that no new lights be installed until the entire pole line throughout the city had been put into a better state of repair.

**WANT NEW TRUCK**  
A further recommendation was made to the effect that the department dispose of the present trucks now in use and purchase a new one-and-a-half-ton truck with a special body to carry necessary supplies and ladder, at a cost of approximately \$2,000.

"If the rearrangement of personnel is carried through as proposed, the saving in the operation of the department for the year 1938 will be as follows: \$6,266.40 on salaries; \$5,750 on power supply, and \$3,450 on material, making a total of \$15,446," the report concluded.

Discussion was given to the purchase of a new truck. Alderman Wills stating funds were not available in the department's budget for that particular item.

Alderman S. H. Okell suggested the proposal was more of a recommendation to the 1938 committee than a motion.

Alderman Hawkins explained the trucks now in use were too expensive to run and unsatisfactory for the lights department. He outlined methods by which a new truck could be secured and pointed to the benefits that would be obtained from one.

### WORK TO BE DONE

Dealing with the change in the system, he stated there was still a lot of work to be done, but that if next year's committee had the backbone to see the recommendations carried out, a much more efficient service at lower cost could be secured. The savings possible, he said, would amount to approximately half a mill. He was proud, he said, in conclusion, to report the progress made.

Mayor McGavin called upon him to present his recommendations and assured Alderman Hawkins they would be carried out. He joined with Aldermen W. T. Straith and S. H. Okell in expressing congratulations for the effective leadership the alderman had given the committee and for his personal work in ensuring the success of the change in system.

## OAK BAY BUYS FIRE ENGINES

Davis-Drake to Supply Two  
Bickle-Seagrave Trucks;  
Hill Cost Announced

Oak Bay's two fire engines will be supplied by Bickle-Seagrave Limited of Woodstock, Ont., through Davis-Drake Motors Limited. The contract was finally approved by the municipal council yesterday evening. The price was not revealed.

The two machines, "Underwriter" type triple-combination pumper, booster and hose trucks with a capacity of 600 imperial gallons per minute, are expected to be delivered in the middle of March.

The contract was finally approved after negotiation with the company for a few changes in specification. The machines will be put through a 12-hour test in the east and a certificate sent to the council before delivery. They will also be put through a special test of three hours, with two hours at full capacity of 600 gallons per minute and a half-hour each at 300 and 200 gallons with higher pressures.

### COST OF FIRE HALL

At the same time the figure of the contract under which Williams, Trevis and Williams Limited are building the new fire hall at the junction of Monterey

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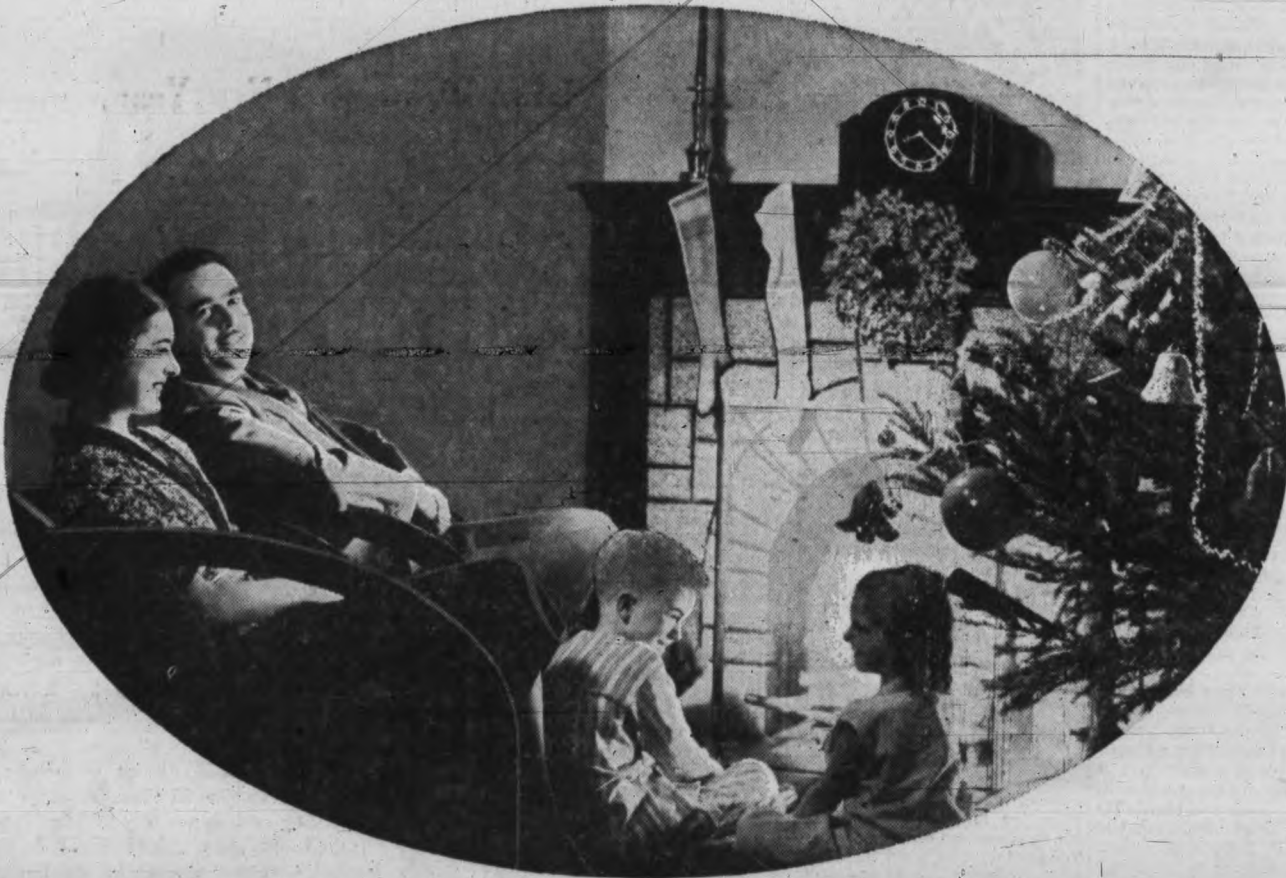


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## Smaller World Wheat Surplus

WASHINGTON (AP)—The United States Bureau of Agricultural Economics said Thursday small world wheat supplies might offset to some extent the customary price-depressing effect of southern hemisphere grain which usually starts to market in January.

Indications are that total supplies for the current season, excluding Russia and China, will be only about 25,000,000 bushels more than the very small supplies of last year, the bureau said.

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### U.S. HOG REPORT

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Agriculture Department reports a recent farm census indicated the fall pig crop in the United States was about 1 per cent less than last year's. The department estimated 23,573,000 head, or 257,000 fewer than at the same time last year and about 17 per cent short of 1929-33 average.



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## This Christmas of 1937

VICTORIANS ALWAYS SEEM TO BE able to preserve the knack of being cheerful and optimistic in practically all circumstances. They appear to be in a more joyous frame of mind this festive season than they have been for several years. General conditions throughout the province and the Dominion itself, of course, are more stable and carry the promise that unless anything in the nature of an economic disturbance intervenes, a year hence will find our people with still more for which to be thankful. And perhaps we are prone to reflect all too seldom on the bounteous hand of Mother Nature. Our lot has been cast in that part of this continent which is free from those climatic visitations that leave death and desolation in their wake.

Even with all our blessings, however, most of us are constrained to face the stark fact of conditions in other parts of the world. We are far removed from them; but the world has shrunk and part of the price we pay for the joys and comforts which scientific progress has vouchsafed to us is recognition that the association between nation and nation today is on the same basis as the association between neighbor and neighbor at the dawn of the century. As the year 1937 draws to a close, therefore, there is the danger that those parts of the world now remote from such disturbances as are daily bringing misery to thousands in the East and the West may be drawn in to the vortex of war itself, or threatened with destruction by the vicious effects of war.

We are unable to ignore this existence of a state of affairs which could be stripped of most of its ugliness if only the peoples of the world would dedicate themselves anew to the gospel of the Prince of Peace and forever eschew the worship of the hydra-headed idol of selfishness and greed.

Happily there are men and women in many nations who are putting forth efforts in the cause of peace more insistently than ever before, men and women who are trying to convince those who are running the business of the world, no matter what form of government under which they may be operating, that they must mend their ways if universal disaster is to be avoided. This is one of the bright rays of hope to which we should all look with joyous hearts as we think of Him—The Prince of Peace.

## White Walking Sticks

A BLIND PERSON WAS KNOCKED down on a Victoria street the other day by a motorist. For some years white walking sticks have been used by the blind in many cities, including about 20 in Victoria. These sticks are provided by the Canadian National Institute for the Blind. Their significance as calling for extra consideration from motorists is generally recognized, except, apparently, by some drivers in Victoria. The Canadian National Institute for the Blind has made an appeal to the motorists of Victoria to co-operate in providing extra assurance for the safety of our blind citizens by slowing up at street intersections upon seeing a person with a white walking stick. It appeals also to pedestrians to offer to assist the owner of a white walking stick when crossing intersections and to avoid pushing against him on crowded sidewalks. We are certain it is only necessary for the public to have its attention drawn to these requests in order to bring about general compliance with them.

## That Man Buck

TORONTO SATURDAY NIGHT SAYS: "If anybody wants to know why Mr. Tim Buck got 44,000 votes for the Board of Control in Toronto on December 6—and will probably get elected on New Year's Day, 1938—we can tell him with perfect accuracy. He got about 4,000 because he is a Communist, and about 40,000 because he was the only candidate whose election would represent an effective protest against the cold-blooded, inefficient and unimaginative way in which the problem of the single unemployed men is being handled by municipalities."

There is no hammer-and-sickle device at the head of Saturday Night's "The Front Page." If not as rabidly Conservative as it used to be, this well-known weekly probably would object to being considered a subscriber to the philosophy of Liberalism. But it obviously does not get an attack of the jitters when 44,000 voters in Toronto the Good see merit in Tim Buck's arguments.

The Globe and Mail, of course, still believes in the supremacy of Parliament and dislikes dictators like the devil hates holy water, but it sees a sinister bewhiskered shadow hovering over the city in the form of Tim Buck. It really ought to cheer up; it might be much worse.

## Hitler As Santa Claus

A CABLE DISPATCH BRINGS MERRY Christmas news from Germany: "Berlin—Starting Christmas Day the consumption of butter by the German people will be cut 15 per cent through a rationing system."

## Back Into Antiquity

CHRISTMAS COMES ON DECEMBER 25 because the ancients had a midwinter feast to celebrate the beginning of the sun's return northward after its southward journey that brought gloomy, short days and discouraging cold. Christianity, supplanting paganism, made the transition easier by setting the date of the midwinter feast as the traditional date of Christ's birth.

This connection between Christmas and the winter solstice is generally accepted; even the most orthodox of churchmen now freely state that there is no dependable record or tradition exactly dating the great event in Bethlehem, and that the Christmas celebration did not begin until about three centuries after Christ's time.

But an even more intimate connection, a closer parallel, between Christian teaching and the pagan solar lore is traced by the scholarly churchman, Abbe Chauve-Bertrand of Nevers, France, well known for his studies on astronomical questions as relating to the evolution of the calendar. Ancient pagan religious observance even celebrated the birth of the "New Sun" from a celestial virgin.

This virgin of the skies was none other than the constellation of Virgo, one of the 12 groups of stars comprising the Zodiac. During the harvest season, when the girls went forth into the fields to help in the reaping, Virgo stood high in the heavens, as the ruling constellation.

But by the time midwinter came, Virgo was just dipping beneath the horizon, so that the sun seemed to issue forth from her bosom and to be cradled in her arms. Hence, says Abbe Chauve-Bertrand, the conception of the New Sun born of the Virgin. Pagan midwinter processions in Arabia and Egypt carried the image of the sun as a new-born child, while priests chanted, "Korah, the Virgin, has given birth to Alon."

The sun cult was most strongly represented by Mithraism during the first Christian centuries, and Christian teachers argued from Mithraic analogies in establishing the supremacy of their religion. St. Ambrose called Christ "our New Sun," and St. Cyprian referred to him as the "True Sun." Even in the ancient Hebrew prophecies the coming of the Messiah was hailed as the advent of the "Sun of Justice."

## Notes

Man about town tonight will be Santa Claus.

It's something of a white Christmas after all for Victoria.

The German butter ration has been cut 15 per cent for Christmas. Some younger Nazis secretly feel Hitler was spreading it on too thick about Santa Claus.

Undeclared wars are becoming a habit. Charlie Chaplin has never openly admitted being secretly married to Paulette Goddard. Negotiations for the severance of marital relations have now begun.

With three of the outstanding books of the season by local residents, Dr. T. A. Rickard's "Retrospect," Irene Baird's "John" and Nellie McClung's "More Leaves From Lantern Lane," Victoria is represented with distinction on the authorship list.

There is a rumor, reports The New Yorker, that immigration officials have been considering not letting Santa Claus in this year. With those Russians camping at the Pole, they fear the old gentleman may have become tainted with Communism up there.

## THE TRUE CHRISTMAS

(From The Christian Science Monitor)

The true Christmas is not restricted to a certain time of year; it is an expression of universal love. Thus it should be not merely observed, but lived. The attitude of "on earth peace, goodwill toward men," should be kept active. This true peace, continually singing in one's heart each day of the year, kept active in spirit every hour in one's daily contact with the world, how it expresses "glory to God." Is it not both a greeting and a prayer?

The world needs more of peace and goodwill expressed. As individuals gain more of the true meaning of Christmas, and live it, strife, and grief, and burdened hearts are healed. The Christmas spirit expressed in Jesus' words to his followers, "This is my commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you" (John 15:12), is the true spirit of Christianity. To go forth each day to discover the good in everyone, to meet and greet all men with the happy reminder of universal brotherhood, will bring from many a one earnest inquiry concerning the truth. Thus does true Christlikeness expressed in our lives draw men unto the Christ.

Mrs. Eddy, in her volume, "The First Church of Christ, Scientist, and Miscellany," says of Christmas: "At this happy season the veil of time springs aside at the touch of love." "At this happy season," when love for God and man fills the heart, the star of hope guides thought and the light of faith shows new views of God and man. "The touch of love" brings to the heart the holy Christmas, piercing "the veil of time," finity, limitation, mortality. Thus does the commemorating of the birth of Jesus serve its purpose for mankind, bringing the Christmas season triumphant.

## A CHRISTMAS-THOUGHT

Now just about this time of year we most forget, sometimes fear, That there are people sick and sad; Kind words would cheer, would make them glad.

To such we might a hand extend And prove to them they have a friend Who wants to help them, if he may, To better things, a brighter day. Now if you think that this is true, Extend that hand . . . it's up to you!

E. B. ANDROS.  
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## Loose Ends

By BRUCE HUTCHISON

## WASTED EFFORT

THE COLUMN which appears on Christmas Eve in this newspaper is always easy to write. I have written eight before in as many years and not one has ever been read by a single soul. People have better things to do on Christmas Eve. I dare say I could libel every prominent citizen, embarrass the government and insult the flag on Christmas Eve and no one would notice, nothing would happen. If ever I get up the courage, I am going to try saying something utterly outrageous on Christmas Eve, just to prove my theory that the paper might as well be blank tonight for all the attention it will get from the populace.

It is curious still, after all these years, and after all the argument and discussion and investigation that has been devoted to it, what happens to the human species on Christmas Eve. Here you have a world devoting itself to self-destruction, a world torn by war and the fear of greater war, a world which feels no security, in which every nation is out for itself and nearly every man out for himself and devil take the hindmost, a world which, for all we may know, may be in a decline and certainly is sick with a deep, imponderable sickness.

And then suddenly, on Christmas Eve, men who have been battling with their fellows and making life hideous for themselves and their neighbors all year, suddenly turn soft and appear abnormal; and few people realize that the present abnormality, the present softness and friendliness, is not abnormal at all, but the highest form of normality and sanity, but unrecognizable as such in a time of insanity.

## CURIOUS PHENOMENA

WELL, all this has been said and repeated over and over again until everyone is familiar with the phenomenon, even though nobody can explain it. So we come once more to Christmas Eve, when strong men like to hang candy sticks on glittering trees and play with toy trains on the floor and feel once more, ever so faintly, that divine, far-off feeling of childhood which, like falling in love for the first time, can never quite be recaptured.

We come once more to Christmas Eve, and if you paused to think about it, you could say a lot of hard, cynical, utterly true things. You could point to the mockery of Christmas in the Christian nations. You could write something pretty nasty about the Christian nations that are only Christian once a year. You could get off some good cheap wisecracks about the religion which started in a stable and is now running around in limousines, airplanes and military tanks.

That is all true, of course, and very obvious. The miracle is that, despite everything, people still do feel Christmas, still do feel something happening to them, still suddenly recapture, if only for one day, some of the freshness and the magic of the small boy and the little girl as they come downstairs in the morning to see the presents on the tree.

## TONIGHT

YES, TONIGHT they will be making up bags of candy and mince tarts in Grandpa O'Shea's great ranch kitchen for the Indian children, who'll come riding up from the Three Horse Reservation on their ponies to sing carols they've learned at the Mission schools.

Tonight they'll gather in David Todd's house up at the lake—Sandy McLeish, from the West Arm, and Don Turner with his young English wife, and the Stinsons, and they'll sing carols and Sandy will give his imitation of Nelson at Trafalgar (after a second glass) and Don Masters will recite Hamlet's soliloquy, as he has recited it now for 30 years.

Tonight up on Sumallo Creek old Bill Robinson will be listening on his radio (if he has managed to buy new tubes this year) with headphones over his ears, and maybe he'll catch, ever so faintly, the sound of Christmas carols, while outside the mountains will be silent and white, and six feet of snow will be glittering under the hard white stars.

Tonight Mr. Beak will open his vintage rhubarb wine and probably some of his wicked friends from the great city yonder will be out with a spot of something stronger to fortify it for the heavy work which it must do before the evening's over; and with interesting results. Mr. Beak will regale his guests with Cockney songs about the Old Kent Road and Mr. Pudbury will assert, with rising emphasis, that he is a Liberal and doesn't care who knows it.

Over at the Noggins, I dare say, the new bathtub has been connected up and may be christened tonight, bath salts and all, and next door they are hanging a real football on the tree and a new doll and, by special request, two coconuts (which, if you have never tried it, are mighty hard things to hang on a Christmas tree).

## LUCKY PEOPLE

AND SANTA CLAUS WAS OUT this way this afternoon delivering Mr. Pudbury's annual present of a load of his best barnyard stuff to me—a present which, I can tell you, is the envy of the whole neighborhood. (Instead of something useful and glamorous like that, you will probably get a miserable necktie or some smelly cigars.) And Santa said to me: "You know, I've been looking over the town and it strikes me it's going to have a pretty merry Christmas. Look at the way the town is all lighted up outside, and soon will be inside, and the beautiful monument all glistening with red lights on Pandora Avenue like an inflamed tonsil, and nobody lynched yet for building it, and look at the way business is booming. Look at the business Bill Kennedy is doing at his soft drink stands on Humboldt Street and Johnson Street."

"Why, yes," said Santa, "you might be on the prairies where it's 40 below zero, or in China being shot up every night and apologized for officially every morning, or in Ontario with Mr. Hepburn, or in Vancouver where everyone is civilized. I tell you, you're mighty lucky in Victoria and I hope you appreciate it."



AN angel walked the world of men,  
Even as He had walked it then.  
Came down to earth on Christmas Night,  
For heaven at last beheld a light.  
And it was good to angel eyes  
To see a world so like the skies,  
A place of peace, of cheer, of love,  
A world so like the world above.

WAS good to angel eyes to see  
The babes around the Christmas tree,  
To see the fathers and the sons  
As close as are those Other Ones,  
As beautiful and undefiled  
Again the Mother and the Child,  
To see completion of the plan,  
At last the brotherhood of man.

SILVER star let down a stair  
Of light, the angel mounted there,  
And, when the angel made it known,  
Then there was joy around the Throne.  
For Christmas kindness, Christmas cheer,  
Had brought the heaven and earth so near  
That all the angels sang again  
Of peace on earth, goodwill to men.



## "RISING TIDE" LESSONS

To the Editor:—Rising Tide, the new pictorial magazine, is being hailed in the United States and Canada by labor leaders as correctly portraying the answer to strikes, lockouts and unemployment. There is a remarkable two-page spread that displays a new destiny for the working man in reshaping the foundations of a new national life.

Other pages show the rise of the tide of constructive forces in Canada and in other countries. For the first time in pictures the romantic story of the Oxford Group is told.

Coming at a time when it is mostly needed in the world, Rising Tide is causing constructive comment among the clergy. Rev. Andrew Roddan, Vancouver, has taken 30 slides from the magazine to show to his congregation on Sunday next. The speaker will be David Carey, 1938 Rhodes Scholar from British Columbia.

In England, where Rising Tide had phenomenal success, clergy-men of all denominations have recommended this amazing publication to their parishioners. Some of its pages are devoted to the triumphant progress of the "Church on the March"—among them is a striking photo of a Spanish church aflame. It is aptly captioned "The Answer to Burning Churches Is the Church Aflame."

Opening pages picture the possibilities of the twentieth century with the scientific wizardry which can destroy or fashion a world. Vivid news photos dramatize the currents of national life and death in 1937. The keynote is set in a quotation from Stanley Baldwin, "The British Empire has a solemn duty to the world at this time—a duty which I have described in these words, 'spiritual leadership'."

JAY HANLEY,  
1251 Cardero St., Vancouver.

## Parallel Thoughts

Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee: Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.—John 3:3.

Heaven must be in me before I can be in heaven.—Stanford.

## Better English

By D. C. WILLIAMS

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "I have never met such an interesting man."
2. What is the correct pronunciation of "bury"?
3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Historical, histeric, histeria.
4. What does the word "benison" mean?
5. What is a word beginning with va that means "founded on truth or fact"?

## Answers

1. Say, "I never met so inter-

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esting a man." 2. Pronounce

ber-i, e as in bet, not bur-l.

3. Hysteria! 4. Blessing, benediction.

"More precious than the benison of friends."—Talfourd.

5. Valid.

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## Old-fashioned Christmas Party; Ghost Story And All

By THOMAS J. EDWARDS

THIN columns of smoke rose from the cottage chimneys, the last faint gleams of the setting sun told the day was drawing to a close.

As we drove slowly through the village, the lights had already begun to twinkle through the small panes of the cottage windows, showing scenes of merriment in humble, peaceful homes.

At a half-opened door stood an old man looking on the wintry scene—bringing back memories, maybe, of days long gone. On his face a kindly smile, the old old faith of hope and trust, through a long and peaceful life, had brought blessings which wealth alone cannot bring. And to such as he, it is well to live long.

It was Christmas Day. What memories those words conjure in one's mind! The church bells ringing merrily their message of peace, goodwill toward men. How oft in ages past had those bells rung the same message from their ivy-mantled tower to humble tillers of the soil, sturdy yeomen, cavaliers, Baptists and sombre Puritans?

"Malthorpe Hall" was to be the scene of a real old-fashioned Christmas.

Standing high beyond was the church, the light from its windows gleaming like sentinels guarding the little village. Moretons had lived there for generations. During the days of civil war, the old mansion, known to fugitives after Worcester, had more than once been roughly handled by Parliamentary troops. The present owner, Godfrey

Moreton, a tall handsome gentleman of the old school, from the time of his marriage had with pride observed at these Christmas festivities some of the old English hospitality, with all its own manners and customs, to which many of the older families of the countryside had always been invited.

The visitors were warmly welcomed in the front hall by our genial host. Within were the visible signs of the festive season. On the hearths, the flames from the burning Yule log, shining upon the oak-paneled walls, oil paintings of past generations of the family in their massive frames, standing out from dark backgrounds. Bunches of mistletoe hanging from the centre of the large room; for mistletoe and Yuletide are inseparably connected.

At one end was the more modern Christmas tree, much loved by the children, the many present shining like fireflies among the branches, reflected from the many candles around the tree. Holly, emblem of winter, with its bright red berries and prickly leaves, gaily decorated the room. The warmth from the great fire on the hearth—the merry chattering and pretty dresses of the children—made it a scene of joy and comfort, a welcome sight to those from a distance on such a winter night.

The going sounded for dinner. The guests were soon seated, the table spread with all the substantial things provided in old-fashioned hospitality for the festive season.

The great sirloin of beef, roast goose, mince pies, and other appetizing dishes. Then came plum pudding decorated with holly, not

forgetting the sauce which had, as of old, a vintage flavor.

The merry chattering of the children brought gladness to the elder ones, recalling such a scene in their own childhood days.

After dinner our host rose and said what a delight it was to see so many happy faces, hoping all had enjoyed their Christmas dinner. "I know the children are waiting for their presents," he said smiling, "so I will ask your indulgence for a few minutes to say why it is such a pleasure to me, and always has been, to bring into our Christmas festivities some of the old customs of long ago.

"I hope this does not mean I should be considered altogether old-fashioned myself. I have always loved them from the time I was a very small boy, and it is partly the result of stories my father would tell—of post-boys and their horses, of stage coaches bringing visitors from distant parts of the country—at Christmas dinners. The board's head would be brought in, with an apple placed in its mouth, which in ancient times was the emblem of peace and plenty. And now for our presents—the games and the dance."

All clustered around the Christmas tree. The older folks were showing their presents to the children, and the children showing theirs. It had been arranged to change names on the pretty cards so that the elder ones had presents suitable for the children, and the children suitable for the elders.

Aunt Diana had a Noah's ark and animals, which should have been Ada's, and Ada had a set of ruffles which should have been aunt's. But the supposed mistakes were soon straightened out by turning over the cards and finding the names they were intended for. Then came the games dearly loved by the children.

In the front hall—blind man's buff, which we all know causes at times rather boisterous merriment. Master Charles being full of fun, when he caught one of the girls, would run his hand through her hair, which caused her disappearance for a few minutes.

Then came musical chairs, others toasting chestnuts. At the sound of music dancers chose their partners. First came the minuet, danced to the sounds of an harpsichord still in the possession of the family. Then the waltz, quadrilles and polka, until at a loud knocking at the front door, came in the merrymen in their quaint costumes and funny old songs, the survival of an ancient custom still existing to a certain extent in several countries.

It all looked so weird; the flames from the great fire, showing clearly the paintings of old ancestors, looking down as if in the long ago they had remembered just such scenes. Later came the singing of carols, such old songs as "The Mistletoe Bough," "When Knights Were Bold," "The King, God Bless Him," "Bonnets O'er the Border" and "God Bless Ye, Merry Gentlemen."

Then, seated around the great fire, came the telling of stories. "Shall we have ghost stories?" cried out Master Charles to his sister Ada. She was delighted, saying Aunt Diana would tell the first because she knew so many.

"It was during a great storm one night," said Aunt Diana. "I had been listening to the howling of the wind, when I heard what sounded to me as footsteps of some one walking along the passage, halting near my bedroom door. I called but no one answered, and I felt a little curious. The same thing happened a few months afterwards. Hearing what I thought the same measured tread, and speaking of it at the breakfast table, no one could be found who had been moving about the house."

"Then, one stormy night that was well remembered long afterwards, when several of the great elms along the drive were blown down, after the fury of the storm had spent itself, the same stealthy footsteps seemed to come close to the door. Then it was I screamed and aroused the whole house. Inquiries were at once made, but nothing was found to solve the mysterious noise."

"No more ghost stories," said the squire, at this point.

"Well, my friends," said our

host, "it is getting rather late and still snowing."

With his usual hospitality he invited those who had come from a distance to stay the night. It was indeed pleasing to me to know those I had accompanied had accepted his kind invitation, for could one imagine anything more comfortable than to sit around the blazing fire on such a night.

Shortly afterwards the children, smiling to us from the staircase, retired in high glee, carrying their presents with them. I was but a very young man at the time and one of the first to retire to my room.

After wishing all "Good night" and ascending the great staircase, I was met by a lady attendant with a light to show me my room, which was at the end of what seemed to me a rather long and gloomy passage. On the way I laughingly asked if it was the room where the footsteps had been heard, and thought by the glare of the light in the dark passage the lady's face looked rather white.

After being left to myself, I began to look around. The bed was one of those old-fashioned ones often seen in many of the large country houses. Looking under and around the bed to make sure nothing was there, I searched the recess with the heavy curtains but found nothing likely to disturb me.

Feeling a little lonely in the large room and not caring to fasten the door, I left it a little open, thinking if any ghost came in it would find no difficulty in getting out.

Perhaps to those who have had no such experience—and I must myself own—when these are viewed in after years the precautions taken appear rather ridiculous. However, I was soon in bed among the warm bedclothes.

Taking another glance around, the door just a little ajar, I put out the light. I could hear voices of other guests retiring for the night—but even then, in so strange a place, strange thoughts would come. Thoughts of what kind of people had been in this same room—of those who had slept in the same bed. Did they feel as lonely as I did then?

My mind pictured grand old gentlemen of olden times—ladies of gentle birth—strong, rough soldiers in perilous times, their swords clanking against the doorway as they entered. However, being very tired, I finally went to sleep.

I cannot judge how long I had lain there before finding myself standing on a projecting piece of ice. Then there seemed to come to me a terrible crash and myself floating in icy waters; and finally an old man pouring a pitcher of cold water down my back, with a coffin beside me, full of blocks of ice.

Waking up, finding myself cold—for I was very cold, between by stumbling and waking thoughts—there seemed to pass across the room what appeared to be a dark form.

It is said there are shadows left of things that have been, past impressions—whatever that may be—but anyway, what between the terrifying dream and the dark shadow, for a time I could not gather my thoughts. I remember reaching for the bed coverings. But I could not find them. The bedclothes were not there. They had entirely disappeared.

Having nothing on but my night attire, how I shivered with cold.

What should I do? It was so dark and hardly possible to distinguish the window from the dark walls of the room. It was so silent, and I felt so lonely, and all the time so cold.

Crossing the room to the window, it was possible just to see dark masses of clouds rolling over the snow-clad hills. The still falling snowflakes, if possible, made one feel colder.

Finally, getting a light, I looked across the room. How great was my horror, seeing what appeared to be a prostrate form huddled up, lying on the floor, and how still it lay!

I tried to call out something but my voice did not reach across the room.

Again I raised my voice. All the strange stories I had ever heard—and I had listened to many told me by aged relatives—all seemed to pass before me in a moment.

Turning out the light, and trusting to get through the night somehow, gradually it became a little lighter, making it possible to see across the room.

Going over quietly toward the door to see what lay there so still, I found what had looked like a form. Really it was my bed covering. Gathering it up slowly, after a time I was warm in bed again, waiting for the daylight and sounds of early risers.

After a time it began to get light, making it possible to make a careful search of the room. Carefully looking over the bed covering and the pillows, and going toward the door, I found it several inches more open than on retiring. I stood there thinking and thinking what could have happened. I thought of the stealthy footsteps along the pas-

sage. In the silence of the night I could not conceive it to be a ghost or anything to do with spirits—for spirits would not have clothes on.

For some time there had been sounds of early risers and the voices of visitors. I looked at my watch. It was 7 o'clock. After dressing I made my way along the passage, down the great stairs to the front hall, where several guests were already seated.

Asked if I had passed a good night and slept well, I remember watching their faces and saying I had been disturbed once or twice, but that was a thing likely to happen in a strange bed.

At breakfast the time was spent pleasantly. John Watkins, an elderly gentleman, entertained the company with reminiscences of his earlier days, which, like most elderly people, had been remembered more vividly than those of more recent occurrence.

After breakfast the squire was busy looking after the comfort of the departing guests.

Soon the visitors began to prepare for their journeys, horses and carriages were brought to the front door, and all drove away in various directions home. It has been many years ago now, but the hearty handshake of the "Master of Malthorpe Hall," wishing all a bright, happy New Year, the merry goodbyes of the young folks as we drove away on that bright frosty morning—the memory of that old-fashioned Christmas—remains one of the fond memories of my early life.

## Uncle Ray

From Port Said to Cairo

Cairo, Egypt: Here I am, at last, in Cairo, the capital and largest city of Egypt. It contains more than a million people, and they certainly are of many kinds!



Some of the poorer Egyptians travel like this.

Some natives are white, or nearly white. Others are light brown, medium brown or dark brown. There are not many negroes in the country.

The people are mainly a mixture of ancient Hamites and Semites. The women have long hair, usually black. Both men and women have dark brown eyes.

Arabs, Turks and Jews have come into Egypt in large numbers at different times. With them they have brought special customs of dress, religion, and so on.

About a quarter of a million people from Europe live in Egypt. For the most part they are Greeks, Italians or British.

Most Egyptians work on Sunday, for Friday is the main weekly holiday of the people, who are mainly Mohammedans. The Jews take Saturday off, and the Christians are usually free of work on Sunday.

After my steamer came to anchor at Port Said, I went through the customs house. To get through, I had to pay the government a porter tax of two plasters on each piece of my baggage.

The "plaster" is Egypt's standard small coin. It is worth about five cents. There are five-plaster silver coins worth a quarter, 10-plaster coins worth half a dollar, and 20-plaster coins with the value of a dollar.

Egypt also has paper money—pounds and half pounds. An Egyptian pound contains 100 plasters. On one side of a pound note is a picture of an ancient king. On the other side is an oval frame with a blank space in it. At least the space seems blank, but hold the note in the light and you will see the image of the Great Sphinx water-marked in the paper!

To reach Cairo, I boarded a train and rode across perhaps a hundred miles of desert. Other miles of my trip were through green and fertile land watered by canals from the Nile. I saw many camels and donkeys through the train windows. These are the most common beasts of burden in Egypt. (For Travel Section of your scrapbook.)

UNCLE PAY.

## D. D. McTAVISH GIVEN AWARD

Duncan D. McTavish, 28 Douglas Street, has been awarded the \$10 third prize in the Victoria city section of the Victoria Junior Chamber of Commerce Christmas lighting contest, it was learned last night.

The prize was previously awarded the Wayside House, but through the courtesy of that

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## SANTA CLAUS AT HOSPITAL

Daughters of Pity Give Tree For Children at Jubilee; Other Events

Yesterday was the big day of the Christmas season for the Royal Jubilee Hospital. To avoid the strain of two successive days of excitement on the patients many of the events which elsewhere would have been held on Christmas Eve were moved ahead a day.

The most colorful part of the day's celebrations came in the afternoon, when the Daughters of Pity held their yearly Christmas tree in the children's ward.

There was an enormous tree glittering with lights and tinsel, from which Santa Claus, who was ushered in by Miss Kathleen Roberts, presented a package to each child.

The president of the Daughters of Pity, Miss Marjorie Siddall, and the honorary president, Miss L. Mitchell, welcomed the guests. There were short speeches by Miss Siddall, Miss, Boris Hilbertson, head of the children's ward, Miss Roberts, the Misses Evelyn and Marjorie Tait, Miss C. Couves and Miss Maude Worthington.

Dr. T. W. Walker, medical superintendent of the hospital, and practically all the house doctors were present at the party. The board of directors was represented by Mrs. Guy Sheppard, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Allan, Charles Williams and J. Vaughan-Roberts.

Santa Claus's arrival came in the middle of a playlet presented by the pupils of Miss Violet Fowkes with Mrs. Santa Claus as the leading figure.

After Santa's departure ice cream was served to the young patients.

Later tea was served to the representatives of the Daughters of Pity by Miss Mitchell, the superintendent of nursing. Members of the hospital board of directors also attended the function.

## DECORATE 20 TREES

Another event of the day was the decorating by the Junior Women's Auxiliary of 20 trees in various wards throughout the hospital. The Women's Canadian Club decorated a tree in their ward, with presents for the patients in it, and the Jubilee Hospital Alumnae decked the walls and a tree in the six-bed ward

house, it has been ascertained that that residence is not eligible for the prize, whereupon the judges awarded the prize to G. I. Warren for the lighting displayed at his home, 1224 Dallas Road. Due to his connection with the Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Warren declined to accept it, and it has, therefore, been awarded Mr. McTavish.



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which they sponsor. A tree in the Fleming ward, a surgical ward for men, was dressed by the Canadian Red Cross Society, which also distributed cigarettes to the patients.

The chronically ill and aged patients in the annex were entertained at a tea party by the Fellowship Club, and were presented with gifts. The student nurses held their Christmas tree and concert in the evening.

Oak Bay will proceed with the numbering of houses in the Up-lands, the municipal council decided yesterday evening. Council pointed out that the numbering was important from the point of view of fire protection as well as for general convenience.

## Reeve Thanks Oak Bay Staff

The Oak Bay Council and the inside and outside municipal staffs received the thanks and congratulations of Reeve R. R. Taylor at the council's final meeting of the calendar year yesterday evening.

The year had been one of the busiest in the council's history, especially as far as committee work was concerned, he said. He paid tribute to Councillor R. R. Angus, who was acting reeve during his absence for three months early in the year.

He spoke of the "exceptional loyalty" of the municipal staff.

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### Tribute Paid To Blind Organist

Among the notable musicians which this city has heard during the last 15 years the recital given on the Metropolitan Church organ by Dr. Alfred Hollins, the celebrated blind organist of St. George's West Church, Edinburgh, will be long remembered. This event took place on November 9, 1925, when Dr. Hollins played to an audience of 1,200 people and held them spellbound for over two hours. In connection with Dr. Hollins's visit a reception was held at the home of the late Howard Russell on Boyd Street, when many of Victoria's organists and pianists met Dr. Hollins in person and recalled old times.

Recently, according to a press report from Scotland, Dr. Hollins was honored in the city of Edinburgh on the occasion of his 40th anniversary as organist of St. George's Church. He was presented with a silver tea tray, also a cheque contributed by organists from all parts of the world. Among those who sent messages of congratulation were the widow of Andrew Carnegie, Lord Lamington, chairman of the board of governors of the Royal Normal College for the Blind, London, and Lord Glenelg. Sir Henry J. Wood, conductor of the Queen's Hall orchestra, London, in his message referred to Dr. Hollins's "wonderful organ recitals and superb musicianship," a very high compliment coming from such an outstanding conductor.

The Lord Provost of Edinburgh, Sir D. Tovey, the Moderator of the Church of Scotland, and the Glasgow and Edinburgh Society of Organists all sent their greetings. Many of Dr. Hollins's friends and admirers in Victoria will be pleased to know that such an outstanding musician has been fittingly honored.

Victoria Women's Institute will hold its regular military 500 at 635 Fort Street, on Monday evening, December 27, at 8:30 p.m. The usual prizes and special Christmas prizes will be given and a jolly evening is anticipated. Mr. L. Schmeitz will act as M.C. and refreshments served by the ladies.

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### Debutantes Come Out At Dance

Jolly Party Held At Yacht Club Last Night

The younger social set is busy thumbing engagement books these days, so numerous are the parties. But one of the jolliest affairs on the holiday calendar was the dance given by Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Byrom and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Harlock for their debutante daughters, Miss Anna Byrom and Miss Valentine Harlock, at the Royal Victoria Yacht Club last night.

Festoons of greenery and holly graced the reception rooms and main lounge where the hostesses received their guests. Miss Byrom wore a charming frock of white-brocaded silk, made on slender lines, with a brief train, and a corsage bouquet of red roses. With a necklace and bracelet of garnets, and Miss Harlock wore a picture frock of heavy white taffeta, with bouffant skirt inset with shirrings, and girdled at the waist with a sash of white and silver brocade. She wore a gold filigree locket at the neck and at her wrist a Colonial posy of real flowers.

A huge illuminated Christmas tree, twinkled on the veranda, and the supper tables in the upstairs dining-room were centred with a miniature Christmas tree.

**THE GUESTS**  
The guests included the Misses Elaine Adam, Ray Adamson, Elicy Appleyard, Ottilie Boyd, Wendy Baillie, Beatrice Baker, Ivy Brown, Helen Baird, Betty Burns, Pamela Beard, Gwen Burton, June Byrom, Patricia Byrom, Honor Benson, Mary-Lou Bryant, Peggy Bagley and Eileen Carter.

Jill Cavanagh, Dorothy Campbell, Diana Cobbett, Bunty Chat-ham, Jean Cicci, Betty-Mae Cameron, Peggy Collier-Wright, Helen Cornwall, Eleanor Dixon, Desirée Davis, Muriel Dunsmuir, Gloria De Wolfe, Jeannette Drummond-Hay, Audrey Everts, Margaret Evans, Nita Fox, Margot Greer, Roseanna Gillespie, Aileen Graham, Ruth Hammersley, Ruth Horton, Marion Halls, Cicely Holmes, Margaret Hughes and Jane Holland.

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Vernon Miller, Gerald Marri- ner, Jack Mitchell, Charles New- march, John Nation, Gordon Ho- vie, David Oldham, Pat Patter-

### Made Debut at Yacht Club Dance



The Misses Valentine Harlock (left) and Anna Byrom, in whose honor their respective parents entertained at a delightful dance last night.

## Society

Mr. Bert Sutton, Cook Street, has gone over to Vancouver to spend Christmas with friends.

Mrs. E. M. Pretty has gone over to Vancouver to spend the Christmas season with her sister, Mrs. John Hanbury.

Mr. Charlie Duff Wilson arrived on Wednesday from Mont- real to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Wil- son, Caddboro Bay Road, Uplands.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick J. Brand of Vancouver are in Victoria for the holiday season, the guests of Mrs. Brand's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Hembroff, Craigdarroch.

Senator W. A. Griesbach and Mrs. Griesbach of Edmonton will sail tomorrow on the Empress of Japan for Honolulu where they will spend the balance of the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Wilson and their small daughter, Judith, arrived from Vancouver today to enjoy Christmas with Mr. Wil- son's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wilson, at Saanichton.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Cavaye and Richard will arrive in the city on Saturday morning to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Partridge, 1269 St. Patrick Street.

Messrs. Harry and George Dawson arrived at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dawson, 10 Douglas Street, today to spend the Christmas holidays. They are students at the Uni- versity of Nevada, Reno.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell B. Horton, Shasta Place, have as their guest over the Christmas and New Year's holidays, Mrs. H. Horton's mother, Mrs. L. G. Horton, who arrived from Seattle yester- day afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Macpherson of Vancouver today announced the engagement of their elder daughter, Alice Mary, to Ronald Woodward, only son of Dr. and Mrs. L. S. Klink. Miss Macpherson is a graduate of the Van- couver School of Decorative and Applied Arts, and Mr. Klink, a graduate of the University of British Columbia.

Miss Lottie Bowron, Balmoral Hotel, left this morning for Cowichan Lake to spend Christ- mas with Mr. and Mrs. G. March.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Ellis of Van- couver and family are spending the week-end in Victoria with Mrs. Ellis's mother, Mrs. W. L. Clay, Linden Avenue.

Hon. Chief Justice J. A. Mac- donald and Mrs. Macdonald, St. Charles Street, have with them for the Christmas season, Mr. Ted Poskitt, who arrived in Van- couver recently from Shanghai.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Pauline of Vancouver and their son have come over to Victoria to spend Christmas with Mr. Pauline's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Pauline, Foul Bay Road.

Captain and Mrs. C. F. Harris, Simcoe Street, have with them for the Christmas season their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Harris of Seattle, who arrived in Victoria this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Beach of Mission, B.C., have arrived in Victoria to spend the Christmas and New Year holiday with Mrs. Beach's mother, Mrs. J. Pat- terson, Belcher Avenue.

Dr. and Mrs. Allan Peebles, Newport Avenue, have staying with them Dr. Peebles' mother, Mrs. P. Peebles of New West- minster, who came over from the mainland this afternoon to spend the Christmas season with them.

Mrs. F. B. Gregory, Craigdar- roch, has with her for the Christ- mas holidays her sons, George and Francis Gregory, who are attending the University of British Columbia, Vancouver.

Miss Dorothy Watson, R.N., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James L. Watson, Oscar Street, will leave tomorrow for the mainland on her way to Chicago to take a post graduate course in nursing at the Cook County Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Winslow, Craigdarroch, who have been spending the last month in Cali- fornia, returned home this morn- ing. They have with them for the Christmas season their son, Mr. "Buddy" Winslow of Van- couver.

Among the guests who arrived yesterday at the Empress Hotel for Christmas were Mr. and Mrs. T. Davies, Messrs. J. I. and S. A. Lilly, all of Tacoma; Miss Mary O'Neill, Miss Frances McGill and Mr. and Mrs. F. Upshaw, all of Portland, Ore.; Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Kennear and Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Hanselbacher, all of Seattle; Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Stewart of Aber- deen, Wash., and Mr. N. Merle Capper of Reno, Nevada.

Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Butchart and their daughter, Princess Chikmatoff, will leave on Mon- day for California, en route to New York, whence they will sail for a cruise to South America.

Miss Marjorie White was hostess at the tea hour on Wed- nesday afternoon to a number of her friends at her home, 832 Bay Street. Miss Alberta White assisted in receiving the guests. The rooms were attractively de- corated with holly and poinsettias. Mrs. A. White poured tea and the Misses Mora Gay and Mae White assisted in serving. The invited guests were: Misses Mae White, Pearl White, Peggy Lowe, Mora Gay, Mildred Williams, Marlene and Barbara Hutcheon, Martha Armstrong, Dorothy Mel- huish, Patricia Webber, Alberta White and Irene Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Rupert Wick- son, Transit Road, entertained at a dance last evening in honor of their daughter and son, Mary and Walter. Festoons of fir and cedar, holly and red candles, and a Christmas tree decked with glittering "icicles" and ornaments enhanced the festive air. A buffet supper was served from a table centred with a large bowl of holly and tall red candles com- pleted this Yuletide motif. The guests were: Misses Jacqueline Cave, Enid Fox, Sue Jones, Mary Drury, Josephine Brown, Susan Hercher, Vivien Denham, Gwen Gibbs, Lucy Berton, Pamela Mc- Connan, Ruth Horton, Muriel Pat- terson, Jean Murdoch, Kathleen Cory, Patricia Watson and Patricia Watson; Messrs. Richard Holden, Denis Swan, Dan Gahan, Don Wilson, Gray Pearce, Peter Bryden, Pat Coyle, John Ogilvie, Barney Hammond, Bill Walker, Jimmy Patterson, Bill Walker, Kenneth Scharf, Athol Suther- land-Brown, John Archibald and David Holden.

### Mrs. Roosevelt Is Delayed on Trip

PORTLAND (AP)—Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt arrived here last night by transport plane en route to Seattle to spend Christmas with her daughter, Mrs. Anna Boettiger. The flight, which followed her sudden decision Wednesday night to "surprise" her daughter, who was unable to come to Washing- ton for the holidays, was delayed by storms west of Cheyenne. She continued by train with Mrs. S. E. Hodge of Council Bluffs, Iowa, who is on her way to Victoria, B.C., to visit relatives. It was on February 14, 1918, that the United States flag first was seen and saluted in foreign lands.



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(1,050), KSL (1,230),  
Mutual-KOL (1,270),  
Canadian-CBR (1,100).

## Tonight

5  
German Salutes Canada—Canadian.  
Hammerstein Music Hall—Columbia.  
Jazz Band Concert—National Blue.  
King's Trumpets—Mutual.  
King's Trumpets—Mutual.  
Charlotte—Mutual at 5:15.

## 5:30

Children at Bethlehem—Canadian.  
Eddie Swartout and his Music—National Blue.  
Beast Arts Trio—National Red.  
Arctic Christmas Talk by Richard Finn—Canadian.  
Little Orphan Annie—KIRO at 5:45.  
Charlie Chan—KOMO at 5:45.

## 6

"Twelve Crowded Months"—Columbia.  
Backstage—Canadian.  
Variety Show, K.M.U., Tulane, Perdue—National Blue.  
Harmonia Hi Hays—National Red.  
Swing Serenade—KOMO.  
Phantom Flute—Mutual at 6:15.

## 6:30

Night Shift, Vancouver Post Office—Canadian.  
Ask Yourself Another—National Blue.  
Birmingham—National Red.  
Romantic Time—Mutual.  
Frank Bull—Mutual.

## 7

Canada, 1937—Canadian.  
The Song Shop, with Kitty Carlisle—Columbia.  
The First Nighter, play—National Red.  
4,000-mile Christmas Broadcast, Green—National Blue.  
Phantom Flute—Mutual at 7:15.

## 7:30

Jimmy Fidler—National Red.  
Paul Martin and his Music—National Blue.  
Lone Ranger—Mutual.  
News and Weather—Canadian at 7:45.  
The Four Equinoxes—KVI at 7:45.  
Dorothy Thompson—Mutual at 7:45.  
Dr. William Jouton—Marion, message—Columbia at 7:45.

## 8

Christmas to the Frontier—Canadian.  
Scattergood Bailey—Columbia.  
Amos 'n' Andy—National Red.  
Panchito's Orchestra—National Blue.  
Land of Whales—KJR.  
Uncle Ezra—National Red at 8:15.  
Booke Carier—Columbia at 8:15.  
Lum and Abner—National Blue at 8:15.

## 8:30

Music from Hollywood—Columbia.  
True Story, dramatization—National Red.  
Meet Your Neighbors—National Blue.  
Studio Party—KJR.

## 9

Circus, Yogi Yorgesson, Cliff Clark, Felix Mills—National Red.  
Newspaper of the Air—Mutual.  
Road to the Courthouse—National Blue.  
Home Folks—KJR at 9:15.

## 9:30

Annual Carol Service, Howard Barlow and Symphony Orchestra, Margaret Baum, soprano—Columbia.  
San Francisco Christmas Community Sing—National Blue.  
Firestone Hour—National Red.

## 10

News Flashes—National Red.  
Harry Lewis's Orchestra—National Blue.  
I Cover the Waterfront—Canadian.  
Henry King's Orchestra—Columbia.  
What Would You Do?—Columbia at 10:15.  
Freddie Nagel's Orchestra—National Red at 10:15.  
Orzie Nelson's Orchestra—Mutual at 10:15.

## 10:30

Sandy de Santa's Orchestra—Canadian.  
Kay Kyser's Orchestra—Mutual.  
Bob Crosby's Orchestra—Columbia at 10:45.  
Jack Winston's Orchestra—National Red at 10:45.

## 11

Joe Fieldman's Orchestra—National Red.  
Sheela's Orchestra—Mutual.  
Charles Remy's Orchestra—National Blue.  
Songs in the Night—KJR.

## 11:30

Henry King's Orchestra—Columbia.  
Oil King's Orchestra—National Red.  
Newspaper of the Air—National Blue.  
Frank Serrino's Orchestra—Mutual.

## CHRISTMAS DAY

7  
King George Speaks from Sandringham—Canadian, Columbia, National Red and Blue—Approximately 10 minutes.

## 7:30

Morning Reveries—KOMO.  
News—KJR.  
News—KOL.  
Hollywood Hi Hatters—National Blue at 7:45.  
Church Choir—KJR at 7:45.  
Valley Choir—KOL at 7:45.

## 8

Church Service at St. James Cathedral, in Toronto—Canadian.  
Christmas Mass at St. Augustine Church, Des Moines—Mutual.  
Noble Cain & Capella Choir—National Red.  
Yuletide Variety Show—National Blue.

## 8:30

Cincinnati Conservatory of Music—Columbia.  
United States Army Band—Mutual.  
Christmas in a Major Key—National Red.  
Children's Program—National Blue.  
Emmanuel Tabernacle—KJR.

## 9

Christmas Stocking—Canadian.  
Christmas Golden Strings—National Red.  
Chloe Young—National Blue.  
Cappadocia—Columbia.  
Santa Barbara Christmas Broadcast—Mutual.  
News—KJR at 9:15.

## 9:30

George Hall's Orchestra—Columbia.  
Farmers' Union—National Blue.  
Christmas Capers—National Red.  
Popular Symphony—Mutual.

## 10

Broadcast from the Vatican, Symphony Orchestra with Benjamin Ogliv, tenor, St. Peter's Choir—Canadian and National Red.  
Orientele—Columbia.  
John Sturges, baritone—Columbia at 10:15.

## Radio Headliners

### TONIGHT

5:00—German Salutes Canada—Canadian.  
5:30—Christmas Talk—Canadian.  
6:00—Twelve Crowded Months—Columbia.  
6:30—Variety Show—National Blue.  
6:50—Night Shift—Canadian.  
7:00—Canada, 1937—Canadian.  
7:30—Song Shop—Columbia.  
7:45—First Nighter—National Red.  
7:50—Christmas Broadcast, 4,000 miles—National Blue.  
8:15—Beast Arts Trio—National Red.  
8:30—True Story—National Red.  
8:45—Circus—National Red.

### CHRISTMAS DAY

7:00—King George Broadcast—Canadian, Columbia, National Red.  
8:00—Service from St. James, Toronto—Canadian.  
8:30—Christmas Mass—Mutual.  
9:00—Broadcast from the Vatican—National Red.  
10:00—Home and Juliet, opera—National Blue and Canadian.  
11:00—Christmas on U.S.S. Pennsylvania—National Red.  
11:30—American Children Abroad—Columbia.  
12:45—English Boy Chorists—Columbia.  
1:00—Christmas Carol, Lionel Barrymore—Columbia.  
1:30—Rejoice from Santa Anita—Mutual.  
1:45—Rejoice from Christmas, drama by Lady Treadwell—Mutual.  
2:00—Rocky, Toronto, Detroit—Canadian.  
2:30—Headlines of 1937—National Red.  
2:45—NBC Symphony—National Red and Blue.  
3:00—Hit Parade—Columbia.  
3:30—Johnny Prescott—Columbia.  
3:45—Professor Quiz—Columbia.  
4:00—Robert Ripley—National Red.  
4:30—Haley's Joe Cabin—National Red.

### SUNDAY

8:30—Major Bowes Theatre—Columbia.  
9:00—Broadcast from Bethlehem—Columbia.  
10:30—Foreign News Broadcast—Columbia.  
11:00—Magic Key—National Blue.  
12:00—Philharmonic Symphony—Columbia and Canadian.  
12:30—Christmas Service from London—Mutual.  
2:00—Silver Theatre—Canadian and Columbia.  
3:00—Joe Penner—Columbia.  
3:30—Open House—Columbia.  
4:00—Fry Murray—National Blue.  
4:30—Ben Ames Charles McCarthy—National Red.  
5:00—Sunday Evening Hour—Columbia.  
5:30—Constitution—Canadian.  
6:00—Carols—National Red.  
6:30—Jack Benny—National Red.  
6:50—Night Editor—National Red.  
7:30—One Man's Family—National Red.

### 10:30

Buffalo Presents—Columbia.  
Club Matinee—National Blue.  
Schwabacher-Sänger Bund, New Jersey—Mutual.

### 11

Romeo and Juliet, Metropolitan Opera, National Blue and Canadian.  
Pennsylvania Christmas—National Red.  
American Children Abroad—Columbia.  
Palmer House Concert—Mutual.  
Beryl Cameron and Four Pages—National Red at 11:15.

### 11:30

Genia Zietzels with Leon Goldman's Orchestra—Columbia.  
Christmas Masquerade—National Red.  
Ray Keating's Orchestra—Mutual.  
News—KOL at 11:45.  
On the Mail—KOMO at 11:45.

### 12

Brokenheart's Variety Show—Mutual.  
At Home with Mrs. Santa Claus—National Red.

### 12:30

Waltzes of the World—Columbia.  
English Boy Chorists of London, from New York—Columbia at 12:45.

### 1

Hollywood Hotel—Columbia.  
San Francisco's Orchestra—National Red.  
International Hotel—Mutual.

### 1:30

Paul Martin and his Music—National Red.  
The Freuden's Orchestra—Mutual.

### 2

"Christmas Carol" starring Lionel Barrymore as Scrooge—Columbia.  
Canadian Christmas—Canadian.  
Music for Moderns—National Red.  
Sammy Kaye's Orchestra—Mutual.  
Roy Campbell's Orchestra—National Blue at 2:15.

### 2:30

Kelchmeyer's Kindergarten—National Red.  
Rakor's Orchestra—National Blue.  
Christmas Concert Orchestra—Columbia at 2:45.

### 3

El Chico Spanish Radio—National Red.  
Marek Weber's Orchestra—National Blue.  
Leo Frank's Matinee—KJR.  
Leo Sabro—Mutual.

### 3:30

Animal's Christmas, talk by Dan MacGowan—Canadian.  
Harvey Harding—Columbia.  
Press News—National Red.  
Handicap from Santa Anita Race-track—Mutual.  
Strolling Songster—National Red at 3:45.  
Roberto Wood, baritone—Canadian at 3:45.  
Ben Field and Orchestra—Columbia at 3:45.  
Religion in the News—National Red at 3:45.

### 4

Swing Session—Columbia.  
Lyric Stage—Canadian.  
Palmer House Concert—Mutual.  
Message of Israel—National Blue.  
At Rock's Orchestra—National Red.  
Dick Stables's Orchestra—Mutual at 4:15.

### 4:30

Sunset Serenade—Columbia.  
Ricardo and Caballero—National Blue.  
Freddie Martin's Orchestra—National Red.  
Val Olman's Orchestra—Mutual at 4:45.  
Moccasin and Furs—Canadian at 4:45.

### 5

Maurice's Orchestra—Columbia.  
Harry Lewis's Orchestra—National Blue.  
Fletcher Henderson's Orchestra—National Red.  
Bernie and his Barnstormers—Mutual.  
Reindeer Christmas, drama, written by Lady Treadwell and her own name, Susan Buchanan—Canadian at 5:15.

### 5:30

Yuletide Music—Canadian.  
Werryn's Quartette and Marshall Grant—Columbia.  
Talk by Linton Wells—National Blue.  
Fred's Music—National Red.  
Oiga Backlund's Revue—Mutual.  
Easy to Remember—KJR at 5:45.

### 6

Rocky, Toronto Maple Leafs and Detroit Red Wings—Canadian.  
Headlines of 1937, 10 best stories of the year—National Red.  
Organ Concert—National Blue.  
Los Angeles Clinic—Mutual.  
Scandinavian—KJR.

### 6:30

Saturday Night Serenade—Columbia.  
Red Wings—Canadian.  
The Three Fals—National Blue at 6:45.

### 7

National Broadcasting Symphony—National Red and Blue.  
Rancoc Ensemble—Mutual.  
Your Hit Parade—Columbia.

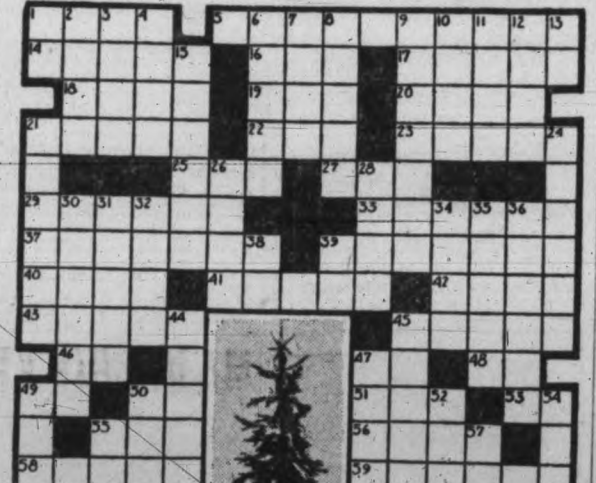
### 7:30

National Broadcasting Symphony on Canadian.  
Freddie Martin's Orchestra—Mutual.  
Fun Fest—KVI at 7:45.

### 8

Sterling Young's Orchestra—Columbia.  
National Blue—National Blue.  
Horse Hair's Orchestra—Mutual.

## Today's Crossword Puzzle



**HORIZONTAL**

1 Pictured is a tree.  
5 It is a tree.  
14 Grave.  
16 Quantity.  
17 Artery throbbing.  
18 To relieve.  
19 Poem.  
20 Unoccupied.  
21 Merchandise.  
22 Jewel.  
23 To acquire knowledge.  
25 Your.  
27 Mineral spring.  
29 That is to say.  
30 To dress.  
37 Cringes.  
39 Dimmed as eyes.  
40 Sea eagle.  
41 Roof edges.  
42 Fuel.  
43 Darlings.  
45 Intelligence.  
46 Paid publicity.  
47 Musical note.

**VERTICAL**

2 Virginia willow.  
3 Close.  
4 Gaelic.  
6 Branch of knowledge.  
7 Stem joint.  
8 Newspaper paragraphs.  
9 To remove hair.  
10 Impolite.  
11 Jar.  
12 Consumer.  
13 Southeast.  
15 To cuddle up.  
21 It has seeds.  
24 Its secondary leaves are called—s.  
26 Matter.  
28 Chums.  
30 Arrearage.  
31 Atom.  
32 Always.  
34 Be silent.  
36 Motive.  
38 South America.  
39 To exist.  
44 Galters.  
45 Harem.  
47 To lease.  
49 Soft food.  
50 God of sky.  
52 Brink.  
54 Strife.  
55 Form of "a".  
57 Pound.

**Answer to Previous Puzzle**

MOHANDAS GANDHI  
DOS REPTILE A  
SOT BUS ASCETIC  
PR DIM PITA ERA  
I BUG PAIS LASS  
NAID PAIS DAN K  
NIT DORN ERI SE  
ID MOLT BOYCOTT  
N PINT DISC  
GRIND TINI MOHANDAS  
OAT DON ME  
MAIN MAR POA  
PROHIBITION

**THE NEW YORK PHILHARMONIC-Symphony Society** will present the following programme over Columbia and Canadian broadcasting stations Sunday at 12 noon:

1. Corelli—Concerto Grosso No. 8, in G Minor, and "Fatto per la Notte di Natale."
2. Beethoven—Concerto for Piano and Orchestra, No. 4 in G Major, Op. 58, Soloist, Guilmar Novaes.
3. Tchaikovsky—Symphony No. 5 in E Minor, Op. 64.

Interest in these concerts seems sufficiently widespread in Victoria now to warrant the making of a suggestion that might increase their value. The suggestion is that of a "pre-hearing," to speak, of each week's concert by means of a gramophone and records. Many people in Victoria must own recordings of at least the major works performed by the Philharmonic Orchestra. They would perhaps be willing to lend these records from time to time to a group of lay "listeners," who would benefit greatly from some familiarity with the music to be played on the following Sunday's concert. Failing such a plan, the committee in charge of the Carnegie Endowment gramophone and records, recently acquired in Victoria for the purposes of adult education, could be approached in the hope that it might lend the records necessary for a preliminary hearing of each Sunday's concert. I should be glad to hear from anyone interested in the formation of a group to carry out such a scheme.

Corelli, the great 17th century violinist, wrote his concerti grossi in the same manner as Handel's "Grand Concertos," namely, for two solo violins and violoncello, accompanied by stringed instruments. The concerto being performed today is seasonal in character, as indicated by a rough translation of its title, "Composed for the Night of the Nativity."

Tchaikovsky's Fifth Symphony was written in 1888 and received its first performance under the composer's direction a couple of months after the score was completed. This premiere fell rather flat. In December, 1888, Tchaikovsky wrote his "beloved friend," Madejola von Meck:

"Having played my (fifth) symphony twice in Petersburg and once in Prague, I have come to the conclusion that it is a failure. There is something repellent in it, some over-exaggerated color, some insincerity or fabrication which the public instinctively recognizes. It was clear to me that the applause and ovations referred not to this, but to other works of mine, and that the symphony itself will never please the public. All this causes a deep dissatisfaction with myself. It is possible that I have, as people say, written myself out, and that nothing remains but for me to repeat and imitate myself. Yesterday evening I glanced over the Fourth Symphony, our symphony. How superior to this one, how much better it is! Yes, this is a very, very sad fact."

The first movement of this Tchaikovsky symphony is marked "slow," and the opening theme is announced by the clarinets, a peculiarly sombre melody; so fast and animated section concludes this movement. The second movement is slow and song-like, being interrupted at intervals by the sombre theme of the opening movement. The third movement, the waltz, is in moderate time, with a further suggestion of the opening theme. The concluding movement, after a beginning marked "slowly and majestically," moves on to a vigorous finale.

Beethoven's "Piano Concerto" in G was published in August, 1808, and was played by Beethoven himself at a concert, now famous in musical history for its length, in the Theatre "an der Wien" on December 22. The programme at this concert consisted of two symphonies, a choral fantasia, the piano concerto, extracts from the Eisenstadt mass, "Ah! Perfidio," and an extempore fantasia on the pianoforte. And all of this on an intensely cold day in an unwarmed theatre!

The soloist with the orchestra in the concerto is the distinguished Brazilian pianist, Guilmar Novaes. Concerning the career of this performer, Grove's American Supplement supplies the following information: "She began study at seven in San Paulo and appeared there as pianist at nine. Her promise was such that

the Brazilian Government assigned her a subsidy and in 1909 she entered the Paris Conservatory as first among nearly 400 applicants. After two years with Philipp in 1911, she made her formal debut and entered upon a long tour on the Continent, in England, and in South America. In November, 1915, she first played in New York."

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Additional interest is found in this record in the picturesque rice carnival at Stuttgart, Arkansas, the center of a great rice-growing community. The name, Stuttgart, suggests Germany and that is correct, for it is in this section of the South, that many early German pilgrims settled at about the same time that the English and Dutch settled in New York, Pennsylvania and parts of New England.

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## Kerr Scores Sixth Shutout As Rangers Win

### Sports Mirror

By PETE SALLAWAY

A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL

The amazing figure that is Connie Mack celebrated his 75th birthday yesterday. Imagine it, a man who has played a full nine innings every day for three-quarters of a century, not only actively managing a major baseball club, but running its business office as well. Jimmy Dykes, manager of the Chicago White Sox and one of Mack's many proteges, recently visited the venerable leader of the Philadelphia Athletics.

Mack told Dykes that during the sick spell from which he is now recovering, he feared he wouldn't reach 75, but now that he has reached another milestone, he is positive he will reach 80. Mack has no thought of retiring. He could not stand idleness. Being in the thick of things keeps him going. Baseball's grand old man will make the southern training jaunt to Lake Charles, La., and intends to guide his boys, as he calls them, throughout the 1938 campaign, making all trips, unless an unforeseen development crops up. His health is the only thing that will halt the tall leader.

Mack suffered no ill effects from his journey to the annual major league meetings in Chicago. In fact, he felt better. Baseball and the conversation it develops is life itself to the youngest old gentleman. Mack intends to remain in Philadelphia all winter. Mack can be reached in the Athletics' offices at Shibe Park daily now, after being confined to his home for two months. He dictated letters and arranged his club's spring training schedule while in bed.

Mack's birthday was quietly celebrated with his large family at his Germantown home, with the real blowout due when the Philadelphia sports writers honor him at their annual dinner next month. Connie is famous for his willingness to spend money for talent and still hopes to obtain some first-class athletes. He wants another winner before his days are concluded and believes that he will have a great club in 1940.

Mack's mind remains as sharp as the crack of a base hit. At Shibe Park his desk sits in the centre of a spacious room in the tower, with heavy, leather-upholstered chairs grouped carefully about. Each has its massive ash tray. On Connie's desk is a rare assortment of trophies that could tell much of the drama of baseball.

Connie Mack is not as old man. Years accumulate with the turn of the calendar. Age creeps up on those who wait for it. Mack is not waiting. He is still hitting that first good ball.

### Canadian Golfer Tied For First

MIAMI, Fla.—Stanley Horne, Canadian professional champion from Ottawa, came in with the twilight shadows and a three-under-par 67 yesterday to tie Ralph Guldahl United States open champion, for the first round lead in the \$2,500 Miami open golf tournament.

Guldahl, acclaimed for his return to form, had gone home and was having dinner when Horne, virtually ignored, came in with a bag of six birdies to tie his 67. Sam Snead, from White Sulphur Springs, W.Va., scored a 68 along with young Frank Champ, Terre Haute, Ind.

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Many whose names are closely connected with the development of Canada's great winter sport, but who were unable to attend, sent wires of felicitation.

All paid tribute to the guidance the one-time school teacher and newspaperman has given the major professional league since its birth in Montreal in 1917. Some went farther back to his secretarial days with the National Hockey Association.

The guest was toasted as a firm, hard-headed Scot, first-rank executive and a first-rank friend.

The leaders follow: Drillon, Toronto... 9 10 19; Dillon, Rangers... 8 9 17; Gagnon, Canadiens... 4 12 16; Mantha, Canadiens... 10 5 15; Stewart, Americans... 8 7 15; Jackson, Toronto... 7 8 15; Apps, Toronto... 6 9 15.

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WINNIPEG—Bob Fritz, who led the Winnipeg Blue Bombers to the Canadian rugby football championship in 1935 and to the western title again this season, will be replaced as coach of the Western Interprovincial Union team, President Les Isard of the Winnipeg Rugby Club announced today.

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The executive will discuss the problem of a new coach at the annual meeting in January. Fritz had said previously that a coach should not be a player and he endorsed the executive decision before leaving for his home in International Falls, Minn., to spend Christmas with his parents.

The club president said other changes in the Bomber team were contemplated but he would not say what changes are planned.

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Toronto	7	4	4	3	3	18	6	4	3
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	W	L	D	P	A	P	G	A	P
Boston	10	3	2	3	2	22	10	3	2
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NORTH BERGEN, N.J.—Rudy Dusek, 218, Omaha, and Abe Coleman, 205, New York, drew, one hour.

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LONDON—This year's Christmas programme is comparatively easy for English and Welsh soccer clubs. Usually the teams are called upon to engage in three games, but with the holiday falling on Saturday, only two matches will be played, except in one or two cases.

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Hearts, leaders of the league, play Third Lanark in Glasgow. Turn to Page 13, Col. 2



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At the head table with Calder were most of the league governors and others high in the game. Each one paid tribute to the honored guest. Each one voiced the hope that the day when Calder would have to lay aside "the game of battle" would be in the far distant future.

#### PRESENTATION

On behalf of the board of governors Col. John Reed Kilpatrick, president of Madison Square Garden, presented the Montreal sportsman with a silver platter and service. The platter bore the engraved signatures of all members of the board of governors.

Those connected with hockey—the governors, club managers, heads of the International-American, American Association and Pacific Coast League, as well as hockey writers representing almost every city in the league—attended the testimonial banquet.

Many whose names are closely connected with the development of Canada's great winter sport, but who were unable to attend, sent wires of felicitation.

All paid tribute to the guidance the one-time school teacher and newspaperman has given the major professional league since his birth in Montreal in 1917. Some went farther back to his secretarial days with the National Hockey Association.

The guest was toasted as a firm, hard-headed Scot, first-rank executive and a first-rank friend.

## BIG SEVEN OF MAJOR HOCKEY

Cecil Dillon, only member of the National Hockey League's big seven in action last night, gained an assist in his New York Rangers' 4-0 victory against Maroons, and moved to within two points of league-leading Gordon Drillon of Toronto. The assist gave Dillon 17 points and broke a second-place tie between the black-thatched wingman and Johnny Gagnon of Canadiens.

The leaders follow:

	G	A	Pts.
Drillon, Toronto	9	10	19
Dillon, Rangers	8	9	17
Gagnon, Canadiens	4	12	16
Mantha, Canadiens	10	5	15
Stewart, Americans	8	7	15
Jackson, Toronto	7	8	15
Apps, Toronto	6	9	15

#### SCORES KNOCKOUT

HAVANA—Kid Chocolate, former featherweight champion, knocked out Johnny Mirabella, New York, in the fourth round of their ten-round feature bout at the Crystal Arena last night.

HAVANA—Kid Chocolate, former featherweight champion, knocked out Johnny Mirabella, New York (4). Weights unavailable.

## Holiday Schedule For Soccer Teams

### Porky Levine Is Seriously Hurt

TULSA, Okla. — Sam (Porky) Levine, goalie of Tulsa American Hockey Association club, suffered severe head injuries last night in a charity game played by two teams from the Tulsa squad. . . . A puck struck his head, cutting deeply along the hairline, and knocking him groggy. He was taken to a hospital.

## WILL REPLACE COACH FRITZ

### Winnipeg Blue Bombers, Western Grid Champs, to Get New Leader

WINNIPEG—Bob Fritz, who led the Winnipeg Blue Bombers to the Canadian rugby football championship in 1935 and to the western title again this season, will be replaced as coach of the Western Interprovincial Union team, President Les Isard of the Winnipeg Rugby Club announced today.

Isard said the executive had decided in favor of a nonplaying coach for the 1938 season but that it was hoped Fritz would remain with the club as a player. The executive will discuss the problem of a new coach at the annual meeting in January.

Fritz had said previously that a coach should not be a player and he endorsed the executive decision before leaving for his home in International Falls, Minn., to spend Christmas with his parents.

The club president said other changes in the Bomber team were contemplated but he would not say what changes are planned.

#### HOCKEY STANDINGS

N. H. L.				
Canadian Division				
	W	L	D	Pts.
Toronto	7	4	3	18
Canadiens	6	4	4	18
Americans	7	6	2	16
Maroons	6	10	1	13
American Division				
	W	L	D	Pts.
Boston	7	3	3	17
Rangers	9	5	2	20
Chicago	5	9	2	12
Portland	8	4	3	19
Detroit	3	12	1	7
COAST LEAGUE				
	W	L	D	Pts.
Vancouver	6	5	3	15
Seattle	7	3	3	17
Portland	6	4	3	15
Spokane	5	8	3	13

#### NORTH BERGEN, N.J.

Dusek, 218, Omaha, and Abe Coleman, 205, New York, drew, one hour.

#### SCOTTISH LEAGUE

GLASGOW — Scottish footballers play only one round of games during the Christmas holidays, but at New Year's most major league clubs will participate in a three-game series and second division teams in two.

Hearts, leaders of the league, play Third Lanark in Glasgow, Turn to Page 13, Col. 2

Wishing You  
A  
MERRY CHRISTMAS  
W. & J. WILSON

## RUGBY

McKECKNIE CUP GAME  
Vancouver Vs. Victoria  
Monday, December 27, MacDonald Park  
Admission 35c; Children 15c—Including Grandstand  
Premier Patrols Will Start the Game at 2.15



# CITY AND SUBURBAN CHURCH SERVICES

## United Church of Canada

### FIRST

The morning service on Sunday in First United Church will be conducted by Rev. W. G. Wilson, whose subject will be "A Last Look at the Old Year."

In the evening at 7 a service of ancient carols will be presented by George A. Peaker, organist, and a quartette composed of Mrs. W. H. Wilson, Miss Elsie Robertson, Maurice Thomas and James Loudoun.

Mr. Peaker will open the service with the "Westminster Chimes." At 7.30 the choir, under the leadership of W. C. Pye, will render the following musical programme: Chorus, "Angels of Jesus"; recitative, "Comfort Ye"; chorus, "And the Glory"; anthem, "Three Kings"; solo, "The Birth of Jesus"; anthem, "O Thou That Tearest"; anthem, "While Shepherds Watched"; vespers, "Silent Night." Soloists: Mrs. W. H. Wilson, Miss Marion Mitchell, James Petrie and Maurice Thomas.

### CENTENNIAL

At Centennial United Church Rev. Dr. Andrew D. Reid will preach tomorrow at 11 on "Remembering and Forgetting," and at 7.30 he will take for his topic "The Lord Is My Shepherd."

At the morning service the choir will render the anthem "Thus Speaketh the Lord of Hosts" (Stainer) with solo part by Mrs. J. Prisk, and the anthem "The Lord Is My Shepherd" (Dennis). In the evening, Mrs. D. Pye will sing a solo.

### METROPOLITAN

The services in Metropolitan United Church on Sunday will be divided in interest between Christmas and the New Year. In the morning Rev. A. E. Whitehouse will preach on the subject "Bethlehem, and the Road Back." The musical part of the service will feature carol singing, the choir giving the following numbers with descants, "Good Christian Men Rejoice," "A Child This Day Is Born," "What Child Is This," "The First Nowell," "Silent Night."

"The Embers of the Years" will be the theme of the address by the pastor at the evening service. Selections from Handel's "Messiah" will be given, including the following numbers: Chorus, "And the Glory," H. L. Harmsworth; aria, "He Shall Feed His Flock," and aria, "Come Unto Him," Miss Louise Noble. Frank Tupman will sing by request a Christmas carol "In the Bleak Midwinter" (Gustav Holst). The choir will also sing the anthem, "Ring Out, Wild Bells" (Fletcher).

Included in the organ recital by Edward Parsons from 7 to 7.30 p.m. is a composition by John I. Smith, assistant organist at First United Church, entitled "Twilight Reverie," which was composed for and dedicated to the memory of the late Alfred Gurney, for many years organist of First United Church. The full programme follows: "Offertory on Two Christmas Carols" No. 2 (Gullman); "Twilight Reverie" (John I. Smith); "Gesu Babe" (Yon).

A watch-night service will be held in the church next Friday from 11.30 to 12.

### FAIRFIELD

Rev. Norman J. Crees will preach tomorrow morning at Fairfield United Church on "A Place of Springs" and to the children on "Clean Clothes." Miss Adeline Sangster will sing "O Thou That Tearest Good Tidings." "Twilight Hills" will be the sermon subject for the evening. Miss Estelle Clarke will sing "Star of Bethlehem" (Stephen Adam).

### OAK BAY

On Sunday, at the morning service in Oak Bay United Church, the minister will preach on "Lighten Our Darkness," and the special music will consist of a tenor solo, "Star of Bethlehem," by George F. H. Farmer, and a mixed quartette will sing "Sleep Holy Babe" (Dykes).

In the evening a junior choir, under the leadership of Eric Edwards, will sing the cantata, "The Other Wise Men," based on the story of the Magi. They will be assisted by an orchestra of five pieces.

### BELMONT AVENUE

On Sunday morning at Belmont Avenue the pastor, Rev. Bryce H. Wallace will take for his topic "Christmas Postlude," and in the evening "Significant Events of 1937." The choir, under the leadership of Miss Dumot Bailie, will repeat some of the Christmas music at both services.

### ST. AIDAN'S

At St. Aidan's, Mount Tolmie, Christmas Communion service Sunday morning. The pastor, Rev. T. G. Griffiths, will preach on "The Valley of Vision." The choir will repeat the Christmas music of last Sunday.

In the evening another musical service will be given by the choir under the direction of Frank Jennings, with solos by Miss Barbara Dawson, Miss Evelyn Davies and Mrs. Harold Lord.

### WILKINSON ROAD

Christmas services will be continued at Wilkinson Road Church Sunday, commencing with Sunday school and adult Bible classes at 10, under the superintendence of N. McGillivray. Public worship will follow at 11.15, when Rev. W. Allan will minister. Under the leadership of D. W. Phillips, the choir will render the anthem, "Calm On the Listening Ear" (Thomas). Miss Bertha Phillips will be the soloist. The annual meeting of the board of session will be held on Monday evening at 8, at the home of D. Lehman, West Saanich Road.

### GARDEN CITY

Special Christmas services will be held on Sunday at Garden City Church. Sunday school and adult Bible class will meet at 2, under the superintendence of Miss Muriel Rudd. Christmas service of public worship will follow at 3.15, when the choir, under the leadership of J. Jones, will render the following selections: Anthems, "Behold I Bring You Good Tidings" (Goss), "Let Us Now Go Even Unto Bethlehem" (Hart); carols, "A Virgin Most Pure," "The Manger at Bethlehem" and "Hark, the Herald Angels." Mrs. T. Floyd and Miss Elsie Fryatt will be soloists.

## Anglican

### CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

The Christmas services at Christ Church Cathedral will commence with a midnight Eucharist at 11.30 tonight, followed by celebrations of the Holy Communion tomorrow at 7, 8 and 9.30. There will be festive matins and choral Eucharist at 11, with a short address by the bishop.

On Sunday, the Feast of St. Stephen, the Christmas festival services will be continued. There will be a celebration of the Holy Communion at 8, and festive matins at 11, with a sermon by the bishop. At 7.30 there will be the customary festive service, with carols and procession.

### ST. JOHN'S

The services at St. John's Church for Sunday will be of a special character, not only an account of the Christmas season, but also because the patronal festival will be observed as the day following is St. John's Day. The music will include the Christmas hymns and chants, and special music will be rendered on the organ by G. Jennings Burnett. Canon Chadwick will be the preacher, taking as his subject "St. John and Christmas-tide."

In the evening there will be a carol service, during which the following Christmas carols will be sung: "Angels From the Realms of Glory," "The First Noel," "Saviour of All," "The Sleeping Child," "There Came Three Kings," "While Shepherds Watched," "Hark, What Mean Those Heavenly Voices" and "Holy Night." Organ numbers at this service will include "The March of the Magi," "Christmas Bells" and "Supplication" (Burnett).

Tomorrow there will be Holy Communion at 7.15 and 8, and at 11 there will be festive morning prayer and Holy Communion.

A beautiful "Coronation" altar frontal, presented by the Ker family, will be used for the first time. The material for this frontal was part of the special decoration used in the chancel of Westminster Abbey during the coronation of King George. It consists of royal blue brocade worked on cloth of gold, and was modelled by the Kensington School of Ecclesiastical Art.

There was only enough of this material for a few frontals.

The rector, Rev. Canon F. A. P. Chadwick, will give a short Christmas message at the 11 o'clock service.

The music on Christmas Day will include the opening organ prelude, "Pastoral Symphony," from "The Messiah" (Handel); "Te Deum" (Jackson); "Benedictus" (Handel); "Gloria" (Burnett); and "Sanctus" (Plummer).

### ST. MARY'S

The services at St. Mary's, Oak Bay, tomorrow, will be celebrations of Holy Communion at 6.45, 8, 9.30 and 12 noon. There will be matins and sermon at 11 and at this service the choir will sing the anthem, "Christ's Bell" (Dr. Hollins).

On Sunday the following services will be held: At 8, celebration of Holy Communion; 11, matins and sermon, and the anthem, "Cherubim Song" (Bortniansky), will be sung.

At 2.30 there will be a service for members of the Sunday school and their parents, and at this service Christmas hymns and carols will be sung, the music being provided by some of the older boys. An invitation is extended to all young people and friends to attend this service, which will be for one hour. There will be no Sunday school.

Evening will be held at 7, when a number of well-known carols will be sung, in addition to the following by the choir: "The Citizens of Chatter" (French), "Masters in This Hall" (Holst), "Jacob's Ladder" (Harwood), "All This Night" (Mauder), "The Holly and the Ivy" (Old English), "I Sing the Birth" (Elgar); also, "Around the Stable" (Beach), soloist, Dudley Wickett.

There will be celebrations of Holy Communion at 10.30 on Monday, St. John's Day; Tuesday, Innocent's Day, and the midweek celebration on Thursday.

### ST. MICHAEL'S

The services at St. Michael's Church, Royal Oak, tomorrow and Sunday will be as follows: Christmas Day, Rev. Canon Wickens, Holy Communion at 8, matins and Holy Communion at 11; Sunday, Rev. Canon Wickens, matins and Holy Communion at 11, carol service at 7.30.

### ST. SAVIOUR'S

St. Saviour's Church, Victoria West, Rev. F. V. Venables, pastor, will hold a midnight service to-night, commencing at 11.30. There will be special music and procession.

On Christmas Day there will

## Other Denominations

### EMPIRE MINISTRY

Rev. S. R. Orr's lecture on Sunday night will again be held in the Crystal Garden Auditorium. His subject will be "Do All Things Come to an End? Will the World End as the Years End?" The questions to be answered are: "Will the earth be wrecked by planetary disturbance?" "Can we today accept the statement in St. Peter that the elements will melt with fervent heat?" "Could the earth be suddenly plunged into sub-arctic cold and silence?" "Will the human race cease to exist by starvation, deterioration or sheer old age?" "Are we now seeking the marked signs of racial deterioration?" "Does science indicate how the earth may end?" "What things in prophecy must first be fulfilled before the end?" "Can we still hope that the Kingdom of God will emerge into the Golden Age?"

The questions with reference to a possible invasion of the Pacific Coast and the attitude of U.S.A. in such an event, omitted for lack of time last Sunday, will also be covered. The community sing will begin at 7.15. At this service Mr. Orr will announce his decision whether he will continue his lectures in Victoria.

### GRACE LUTHERAN

Early Christmas services will be held in Grace Lutheran Church at 7 tomorrow morning. The church will be lighted by candles, and the choir will sing the carol, "Silent Night! Holy Night!" Elvin Gower, and the pastor, Rev. Edwin Bracher, will sing the duet, "There's a Beautiful Star." The pastor will bring a Christmas message as well.

The children of the Sunday school will present a Christmas programme entitled "O One With God the Father," at 7.45 Sunday evening. Mr. Bracher will be in charge of the service, which will include a duet by Florence and Elinor Drader, "There's a Song in the Air." After the service of recitation and song there will be a candy treat for the members of the school.

At the regular service Sunday morning at 11 the pastor will preach on "Testimonies About Jesus."

### MISSION OF ALEXIS

The Spiritual Mission of Alexis, 1042 Balmoral Road, will meet at 7.30 tomorrow, when the control, "Alexis," will speak, choosing for his subject "They Brought Him Gifts." Messages will follow.

On Monday evening at 7.30 there will be a Christmas party. Thursday evening at 8, the discussion class will meet.

### TRUTH CENTRE

Samuel Walker Sloan will speak at both services at Victoria Truth Centre on Sunday. The subject of the morning talk will be "The Beautiful Necessity." There will be a solo by George Petch, "Nazareth" (Gounod).

In the evening the topic will be "Transcending Fate." There will be special musical numbers, with Miss Isabel Crawford as soloist. The Warcliff Trio will render special music at both services.

### REFORMED EPISCOPAL

Christmas music, including a carol service in the evening, will be the outstanding feature at the Church of Our Lord (Reformed Episcopal), on Sunday.

In addition to several carols of a traditional nature, a group of modern carols will be presented, including one composed by Dr. Alfred Hollins, in which a chime figure is effectively employed. The solo parts will be taken by Mrs. F. Shandley, Miss Violet Howland, P. Kitley and R. Dunn.

### FIRST

At First Spiritualist Church, Sons of England Hall, 1216 Broad Street, the Lyceum will be conducted by Rev. Flora F. Frampton at 11 Sunday morning.

At the evening service at 7.30 Rev. W. L. Holder will give a trance address, the subject being: "The Light Which Lighted Every Man." There will be messages by flowers and clairvoyance.

There will not be a message circle Monday evening. The young people's club will meet on Wednesday at 8 in Room 70, Surrey Block.

The "Open Door" Circle will meet in the same room on Thursday at 7.45, conducted by Mrs. T. H. Brooker.

There will be a watch night service on Friday night, commencing at 11.15 in Room 70, Surrey Block.

be Holy Communion at 8 and 11. The church will be decorated and carols and Christmas hymns will be sung at all services. On Sunday there will be carol services at 11 and 7.

### CITY TEMPLE

Special Christmas services will be celebrated in the Victoria City Temple on Sunday. In the morning choral and congregational singing will be featured. Mrs. W. H. Dawson, soprano, will sing "The Birthday of a King" (W. H. Nerdlinger). Miss Julia Kent Jones will play a violin solo, "Ave Maria" (Gounod). Choral numbers will include: "On Christmas Morn" (A. C. MacKenzie), "Shout the Glad Tidings" (C. Avison), "Behold I Bring You Good Tidings" (J. Goss), "The Angels' Story" (anonymous), "Though Poor Be the Chamber" (Gounod), "Cherubim Song" (Bortniansky), "All Hail Most Holy Morn" (Cliffe Forrester).

The evening message will be presented through the medium of a religious drama entitled "A House for the Guest of Guests." The following will take part: Misses Dora Gascoign, Elsie Findlay, Agnes Johnson, Nora Williams, Jean Earl, Sybil Crawford, Pearl Findlay, Dorothy Butterfield, Julia Kent-Jones and Gwendeth Phillips, and Maurice O'Donohue, Edward Cliff, Alec Beatty, Walter Findlay, Charles Bates, Herbert Gillis, Ralph Holt, Eric Driver, Phillip Butterfield and Garry Williams. Mrs. Maude Hammond will direct.

### CHURCH OF OUR LORD

On Christmas Day there will be divine service in the Church of Our Lord at 11, followed by celebration of the Holy Communion. The preacher will be Rev. G. H. Scarrett. On Sunday there will be morning prayer at 11, in charge of Mr. Scarrett. In the evening at 7.30 there will be a service of song, with carols. The rector hopes to be well enough to attend these services.

### CHRIST'S HEALING CENTRE

A special programme of Christmas music has been arranged for the Christ's Healing Centre on Sunday at 7.30, in the Campbell building. The soloists will be Miss Mae Muir and Sid McAllister. Violin selections will accompany an inspirational spiritual address by Dr. Estella Kelley. Answers to the following questions will be given: "If you have been married several times, whom would you pick for a soul-mate after passing?" "Do Christmas trees and happy children attract spirit children?" "Is it good for us to know our future and what effect would it have on people if they knew?" "Are there spirit doctors who can assist healers here on earth?" "Can the spirit of the living and the so-called dead be seen or heard in your home?" "Can we continue the work we love after death?"

Dr. Randall-Colyer will use as her topic "Healing Words." Healing silence and prayer will be held.

### CHINA MISSION

The China Inland Mission for prayer will meet on Tuesday at 8, at the Y.W.C.A. clubroom.

## Presbyterian

### ST. PAUL'S

Rev. James Hyde of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Victoria West, will preach Sunday morning on the text "He shall be great and shall be called the Son of the Highest and the Lord God shall give unto Him the throne of His Father David."

In the evening Rev. D. Corbett of Portland will be the guest preacher. F. Arnot will sing "The Holy City" at the evening service and the choir will render special music.

### ST. ANDREW'S

The services at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church on Sunday will be a continuation of song and praise, in the sermons and the music. Rev. John McNab of Toronto will preach and has chosen for his morning subject "The Song of the Angels," and for the evening "The Leadership of the Star."

The soloist for the morning service will be Eveline Ward, who will sing "The Birthday of a King" (Nerdlinger). The choir will sing Edwyn Clare's anthem, "We Have Seen His Star in the East."

In the evening, Miss Ora Jealous will sing "The Holy City" (Adams). The evening anthem will be "Behold, I Bring You Good Tidings of Great Joy" (Clare). Christmas hymns and carols will be sung at both services.

Mysterious tracks, sometimes seen in the Himalayan snows and believed by natives to be tracks of a two-legged monster, have been examined by a British mountain climber and pronounced those of a bear.

## Baptist

### EMMANUEL

Special Christmas services will be held on Sunday at the Emmanuel Baptist Church when the pastor, Dr. A. S. Imrie, will give at both services a message in keeping with Christmas. In the morning Dr. Imrie will preach on the subject "Humble Men Heard the World's Greatest News" and in the evening he will give a personal message on "What Christ Means to Me Tonight." Carol singing will be a special feature at the evening service, commencing at 7.15, led by Don Smith; and the choir under the leadership of Harold C. Parfitt will sing several Christmas anthems at both services, including "Christians Awake" (Mauder), "Rejoice Greatly" (F. G. Maker), "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" (Sullivan), and "Now Once Again, Our Hearts We Raise" (Fletcher). At the evening service "Star of the East" (Smart) will be sung by Mrs. Norris Harwood, Miss Rosemai Parfitt and Miss Lillian Parfitt, and George H. E. Green, the well-known cornetist, will play "The Holy City."

### CENTRAL

"The Wonderful Name of Jesus—A Mosaic from the Epistle to the Hebrews" will be the theme for Sunday evening at the Central Baptist Church, when the pastor, Rev. Dr. J. B. Rowell, will preach. The singing of the old-time carols will mark this service.

At the morning service the pastor will give the second sermon from the Scripture: "Whereby the day-spring from on high hath visited us, to give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace."

### FIRST

Sacred music appropriate to the season will feature services at First Baptist Church Sunday. Rev. G. A. Reynolds's pulpit discourses will be brief and topical. In the morning he will ask "Who is Guiding Your Life?" "Where is He Leading? What is the Goal?" In the evening the topic will be "The Foolishness of Some Modern Thoughts."

Special Christmas music, under the leadership of C. C. Warren, organist and choirmaster, will be rendered at both services. For the morning service the following numbers have been prepared: Solo, "O Little Town of Bethlehem" (Prindle Scott), by Miss E. M. Swan; male quartette, "Arise and Shine" (Towner), by Mrs. M. W. Dawson, Mrs. Alex Coles, Miss C. Honeychurch and Miss Florence Atchison; anthems, (1) "See Amid the Winter's Snow" (West), (2) "Christians Awake" (Mauder), by Mrs. Alex Coles, Stanley Honeychurch and the choir; trumpet solo, "The Holy City" (Adams), by James Mossop.

### CHRISTADELPHIANS

ORANGE HALL, COURTNEY STREET—Morning 11, evening 7.30. Subject, "Great and Precious Promises." All welcome.

### GOSPEL HALLS

OAKLANDS GOSPEL HALL—HILLDALE car terminus, Sunday, 11 a.m. worship, 3 p.m. Sunday school, 7.30 p.m. special Christmas gospel service, speaker, Mr. Geo. Stewart, special singing, etc. Tuesday, 8 p.m., prayer meeting, Friday, New Year's Eve, Watchnight service, etc.

RED FERN GOSPEL HALL, 1602 RED FERN ST., Sunday, 11 a.m., Breaking of Bread; 3 p.m., Sunday school and Bible classes; 7.30 p.m., gospel speaker, Mr. John Aitken of Calgary, Wednesday, 7.45 p.m., prayer and Bible study, come.

### JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES

JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES—SERVICES: Sunday, 10 a.m., 7.30 p.m. Wednesday and Friday, 8 p.m. Suite 3, Surrey Block, Yates Street.

### SOCIETY OF FRIENDS

SOCIETY OF FRIENDS (PEARN ST., OFF PORT), Sunday: Meeting for worship, 11 a.m.

### SPIRITUAL

FIRST SPIRITUALIST CHURCH, 1216 Broad St., Lyceum, 11 a.m. Trance address, Rev. W. L. Holder, 7.30 p.m. Messages, New Year's Eve, Watch Night service, 11.15 p.m., 70 Surrey Block.

CHRISTIAN MISSION OF ALEXIS, 1042 Balmoral Rd.; 7.30, address, messages and carols.

### PENTECOSTAL ASSEMBLY

1318 Broad Street, Pastor, E. W. ROBINSON. Christmas Morning Service 11 to 12 a.m. SUNDAY SERVICES: 9.45 a.m.—Sunday School 11 a.m.—Guest speakers expected; Rev. and Mrs. Hillyar, missionaries to Tibet. 7.30 p.m.—EVANGELISTIC Special Music 6 p.m.—Radio Gospel service over CFCF Wednesday, Dec. 29—Sunday School Christmas Service Everybody Welcome

## United Church of Canada

"That they all may be one"

## METROPOLITAN UNITED CHURCH

Corner Pandora Avenue and Quadra Street  
Pastor—REV. A. E. WHITEHOUSE, B.A., B.D.

11 a.m.—"BETHLEHEM—AND THE ROAD BACK"

7.30 p.m.—"THE EMBERS OF THE YEARS"

SPECIAL MUSIC AT BOTH SERVICES

Church School Sessions at 9.45 and 11 a.m.

## FIRST UNITED CHURCH

Quadra Street and Balmoral Road  
Minister—REV. W. G. WILSON, M.A., D.D.  
Assistant Minister—REV. JOHN E. BELL, B.A.

### SUNDAY SERVICES

11 a.m.—Dr. W. G. Wilson  
7.30 p.m.—Christmas Carol Service

2.45 p.m.—Christmas Carol Festival and White-Gift Service

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

9.45 a.m.—Intermediates and Seniors  
11 a.m.—Primaries and Juniors

## OAK BAY UNITED CHURCH

SUNDAY SERVICE, DECEMBER 26  
11 o'clock, Morning Worship—"LIGHTEN OUR DARKNESS"

7.30 o'clock, Evening Worship through a musical service, "The Other Wise Man," under the direction of Eric Edwards, with orchestral and piano accompaniment.

9.45 a.m.—Junior and Senior Grades of the Sunday School  
11 a.m.—Beginners' and Primary Grades  
CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE  
10 a.m.—Worship Service—"WHERE IS HE?"

## Fairfield United Church

Corner Moss and Fairfield  
Rev. Norman J. Crees, B.D., S.T.M.

11 a.m.—"A PLACE OF SPRINGS"

To Children—"WASHING"

7.30 p.m.—"TWILIGHT HILLS"

## Centennial United Church

Gorge Road, Near Gov't St.  
Minister, Rev. Andrew D. Reid

11 a.m.—"REMEMBERING AND FORGETTING"

7.30 p.m.—"THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD"

Soloist—Mrs. D. Pye

## BRITISH-ISRAEL, Middleton Guild

MONDAY, Dec. 27, 8 p.m., in Campbell Building, Douglas Street  
E. E. RICHARDS will speak on "BRITAIN AND THE CHINA CRISIS, NAVAL MIGHT IN THE MEDITERRANEAN, THE BRITISH-AMERICAN ALLIANCE"

"WILL GERMANY AND ITALY MOVE IN SUPPORT OF JAPAN?"  
Bookroom and Lending Library, 640 Fort Street, 10 to 4.30

(Additional Church Notices may be found on page 11)

## FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST

Chambers Street and Pandora Avenue  
This Church is a Branch of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Massachusetts

Sunday Services, 11 a.m. and 7.30 p.m.  
Subject: "CHRISTIAN SCIENCE"

Sunday School, 9.45 and 11 a.m.  
Testimonial Meeting, Wednesday, Dec. 29, 8 p.m.  
Reading-room and Lending Library, 512 Bayward Building, All Are Welcome

Christ's Healing Centre  
Speaker: DR. ESTELLA KELLEY  
"If You Have Been Married Several Times, Who Would You Pick for a soul-mate after passing?" (Other questions Hebrews Epistle) answered.

DR. RANDALL COLYER  
"HEALING WORDS"  
Soloists: Miss Mae Muir, "Holy City" and "First Christmas Morn"; Mr. Sid McAllister, "The Lord's Prayer"; Violin selections: Miss Betty Mulliner

Sunday, Evening—7.30  
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Special Christmas Music

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The Oak Bay School Board was given the authorization of the municipal council yesterday evening to transfer \$500 from the ordinary to the extraordinary account for purchase of desks for Oak Bay High School.

### TOWN TOPICS

Consideration of the proposed drugstore closing by-law, which would shut stores at 10 o'clock, was tabled by the City Council yesterday following reception of a second petition protesting against such a by-law.

The annual expenditure by-law of the city, a routine bill covering disbursements for the year, was given preliminary readings by the City Council yesterday afternoon. It will come up for final passage next week.

Purchase of portions of three lots on Beach Drive, near the corner of Goodwin Street, to permit straightening of corners in the drive, was authorized by the Oak Bay Council yesterday evening.

On the recommendation of the health committee, the City Council yesterday gave first readings to a special by-law to fix the hours for milk delivery in Victoria. The by-law is sought by dairy farmers of the lower island.

The Salvation Army invite under privileged children to attend a Christmas treat to be held in the Salvation Army Hall, 1412 Broad Street, on Christmas Day at 3 p.m. Pictures will be shown, including "The Other Wise Man." Candies, oranges and ice cream will be served.

Captain A. Dale, secretary of the Salvation Army Christmas Cheer and Winter Relief Board, expresses appreciation for the response to the "kettle" appeal. Enough money has been collected to take care of the needy families in the city under the Army's care. Approximately 350 hampers will be sent out.

Cars driven by H. E. Maitland, Mount Douglas Road, and Albert Laycock, 942 Collinson Street, were involved in a collision at Douglas and Humboldt Streets last night at 9:20, according to a city police report. Mr. Laycock was reported to have suffered a cut over the eye, which necessitated first-aid treatment at police headquarters.

The list of successful candidates at recent coal mine official examinations were announced by the Department of Mines as follows: Third class—Francis E. Wood, Nanaimo; Leonard Cooper, Nanaimo; John R. Neen, Nanaimo; Peter Lancaster, Princeton; John M. Wilson, Telkwa; Mine surveyors—David Lloyd Munro, Cecil H. Brehaut, Copper Mountain.

Five thousands gifts have been purchased for the monster Christmas tree party to be staged by the Victoria Junior Chamber of Commerce for children in Greater Victoria on the evening of Boxing Day, commencing at 6:30. Every child in Victoria and the surrounding municipalities up to 13 years of age is invited to attend with their parents. The big event will be held on the corner of Douglas and Humboldt Streets, where the huge Christmas tree has been erected in a vacant lot.

Street car schedules for Christmas Day will operate under the usual Sunday timing during the morning hours, but the last cars for all points will leave the city at the usual week-night hours. On Boxing Day, December 27, the usual week-day schedules will be effective throughout the day. The general offices of the company on Langley Street, and the merchandise store on Douglas Street will be closed all day Saturday and Monday. Light, power and gas troubles will receive attention during the holiday period by telephoning G 3200 or G 3300.

A general meeting of the Young Citizens' League was held in the headquarters, Langley and Yates Street, last evening. George Little addressed the gathering on "The Threat to the Democracies of the World." Peter Hartnell spoke on "The Canadian Offensive Against Communism and Fascism." Clarence Ferris of the provincial government Bureau of Information showed interesting films, including the recent visit of the President of the United States to Victoria in full color. The usual league study group will meet Sunday afternoon at 2:30. The next general meeting will be on January 5 in the league rooms.

The Belmont Kindergarten, 1421 Gladstone Avenue, closed for the Christmas season with an entertainment yesterday afternoon in the Sunday school room of Belmont Church. A short programme given by the pupils was much enjoyed by the parents and friends. Santa Claus arrived in his usual cheery manner bringing gifts for the children and also a gift for each parent which was made by a pupil of the school. The children sat down to a prettily-appointed table with Christmas decorations. Mrs. J. E. Cooper assisted Mrs. A. Groves at the tea hour her servitude being Miss Blanche Clarke and Miss Marjorie Wilson. Naida Blackmore rendered two delightful solos, "Christmas Lullaby" and "Alice Blue Gown." Miss Jean Johnson was an able accompanist.

Consideration of a letter from Dr. Kaye Lamb, regarding preservation of the old Tolmie home, "Cloverdale," as a historic building, was referred by the City Council yesterday to its legislative committee. The Junior Chamber of Commerce will also be asked to discuss the issue. Alderman John Worthington suggested the preservation of the building be referred to the provincial government. Alderman Alex Peden noting the structure was located in Saanich.

## City Organizations Plan Yule Parties

Christmas Festivities Being Arranged By Executives For Tomorrow

"Peace on Earth, Goodwill To All Men" will be the spirit prevailing today and tomorrow as welfare organizations of the city plan for the celebration of Christmas in their various homes throughout the city.

While hundreds of hampers will be sent out again this year, there will not be nearly as many as have been given out in former years under the Gyro hamper distribution.

Those given out will be distributed by a number of smaller bodies, each of which is looking after its individual members. Veterans' clubs alone will care for about 135 families, while a number of young people's groups have been busy lately getting together the food and good things which go to make up hampers for special cases, which they are providing for. The Salvation Army has prepared a big list for hampers this year.

The Christmas Bureau tonight will complete the distribution of about 800 cheques, ranging in amounts from \$10 to \$1, which are being given from the funds subscribed during the radio campaign.

The Saanich Christmas Cheer Fund, although short of its objective, will distribute many well-filled hampers among the needy of the district.

In all institutions of the city there will be adequate opportunity for the patients to participate in the Yuletide festivities.

At the Protestant Orphanage tomorrow will be the big day with a party around the Christmas tree after Christmas dinner in the afternoon. All the children will hang up their stockings to-night.

The homes for aged men and aged women have both been seasonably decorated for the parties tomorrow. At the former there will be 35 men sit down for Christmas dinner, and it is probable that the mayor and some of the aldermen will pay them a visit during Christmas Day.

Members of the board will probably join in with the festivities among the 72 inmates of the aged women's home.

Sunshine Inn this year will not serve Christmas dinner, but will serve a special meal on New Year's Day.

Donations of fruit and candy will be appreciated at Citizens' Recreation Rooms, where a number of unemployed will spend their time during the open hours from 2:30 to 9:30.

At the two Y's the Yuletide season will be celebrated in usual form. The Y.W.C.A. staff will hold its Christmas tree immediately after breakfast tomorrow morning.

Children at the Solarium enjoyed their annual Christmas party a few days ago when the board of directors acted as host, but tonight all the youngsters will hang up their stockings in anticipation of a second visit from Santa Claus. Christmas dinner will be served for the patients tomorrow.

At both the hospitals there will be carol services tonight when groups will parade through the corridors singing softly the favorite Christmas carols.

### Earth Tremor Recorded Here

A slight earthquake was recorded on the seismograph of the Dominion Meteorological Observatory here beginning at 3:28:39 p.m. yesterday, it was stated this morning by W. A. Thorn, director of the observatory. The distance was estimated at 2,620 miles and the direction was announced as probably southeasterly.

A tremor reported by Fordham University last night left only a slight trace on the machine, too small for any calculation.

NEW YORK (AP)—The Fordham University seismograph recorded an earth shock today at 12:45 a.m. E.S.T., 3,570 miles from New York, "possibly in Chile or Alaska."

Christmas music will be featured at the song service at the Y.M.C.A. on Sunday. The Centennial Church young people will be in charge of the programme.

The question of the dedication of a number of pieces of land set aside for street purposes will be taken up in committee by the Oak Bay Council. At its meeting yesterday evening the council received from its engineer, A. S. G. Musgrave, a letter listing a number of street reserves whose present standing he considered unsatisfactory. One of the problems facing the council is whether these streets should become municipal or crown-highways. The matter of obstructions and squatter's rights enters into the question, it was stated.

## COME HERE FOR ANCIENT YULE

Influx to Empress For Huge Dinner Party

From all parts of the northwest visitors converged on the Empress Hotel today. They came to Victoria to spend an old-fashioned Christmas, in the English style, with plum puddings, carols, Elizabethan singers and ancient ceremonies that ushered in the great festival in olden days in England.

Ss. Princess Kathleen, arriving shortly after 1 from Seattle brought more than 125 guests for the Empress. They will remain over the long week-end, some intending to stay until after New Year's Day.

Tomorrow night there will be the great dinner party in the main dining-room and the Tudor Grill. More than 1,000 persons will sit down.

The catering department has assembled 40,000 pieces of table equipment for use of the 400 Americans and 800 Canadians, many of them Victorians, who will dine at the party. In addition to the tableware, 2,000 wine and cocktail glasses will be used at private prior-to-dinner gatherings in various hotel rooms.

To decorate the great hatted rooms of the hotel, 4,000 feet of British Columbia cedar wreaths, 200 pounds of brightly berried Vancouver Island holly, 400 poinsettias, dozens of draw azaleas, 400 centre pieces with crimson candles and 2,400 colored electric light bulbs.

### JAPAN TO RESPECT FOREIGN RIGHTS

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Interests and nationals, and to improve the means of communicating intelligence thereof speedily and effectively to authorities on the spot."

"Although the attacks"—on the Panay and three Standard Oil vessels on the Yangtze—were "due to a mistake," the commander of the air force which did the bombing "was immediately removed from his post and recalled on the grounds of failure to take fullest measures of precaution," the note said.

"Moreover the fleet staff members and the commander of the flying squadron and all others responsible have been duly dealt with according to law. The Japanese government are thus endeavoring to preclude absolutely all possibility of a recurrence of incidents of similar character."

Earlier, Admiral Mitsumasa Yonai, naval minister, had cited "battletide psychology" as the principal factor in the Japanese attack which sank the Panay.

"By that I do not want you to think I am offering what you call an alibi," the admiral told this correspondent. "I do not know how to apologize for this attack on an object representing the sovereignty of the United States."

Yonai reiterated the Japanese government "will do everything possible" to satisfy the demands of the United States Government.

"The battletide psychology, imperfect communication and poor visibility were the three facts responsible for the mistake," he said.

### DIET CALLED

Emperor Hirohito's convocation today of the 73rd session of the Japanese Diet was marked by official optimism over expected amicable settlement of the Panay incident.

The call followed disclosure of general orders that Japan's armed forces exercise extreme caution wherever foreign lives and property were imperiled.

### RESISTANCE AT TERUEL ENDED

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forces today from succoring a die-hard band of 400 insurgents apparently doomed by the government conquest of this strategic provincial capital in northeastern Spain.

The beleaguered 400 kept up a steady fire with machine guns and rifles from a dozen ancient buildings in an old quarter of the city—rapidly consuming what was believed to be a scant supply of ammunition. Their supplies of water and electricity had been cut off, it was believed, but the band had plenty of food.

Defence Minister Indalecio Prieto, shouting above the tumult of fire and counter-fire, told this correspondent on a tour of the captured city: "There is no hope for them now. There is no possible outlet. The nearest front now is from 10 to 12 kilometres away."

### OBITUARY

**ELIZA HENDERSON**  
Private funeral services for Miss Eliza Henderson were held yesterday afternoon, Rev. John McNabb officiating. The following were the pallbearers: J. Henderson, J. Hughes, B. Hall, J. Hawthorn, C. McKay and P. McKay. The remains were laid at rest in the family plot in Ross Bay Cemetery.

**PHOEBE ELLEN DILL**  
Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon at McCall Bros. Funeral Home for Miss Phoebe Ellen Dill. Rev. John Bell officiated. The hymns, "Jesus, Lover of My Soul" and "Lead, Kindly Light" were sung. Interment was in the family plot at Royal Oak Burial Park, with the following as pallbearers: J. J. McKim, J. Strang, H. W. Gibson, H. Hunt, W. Niblock and R. Hagyard.

**ALTHEA B. MASON**  
Funeral services for Mrs. Althea B. Mason, who passed away in Vancouver on December 14 took place yesterday afternoon from Sands Mortuary Ltd. Rev. G. R. V. Bolster conducted the services, during which the congregational hymns sung were "Nearer My God to Thee" and "Abide With Me." The casket was covered by beautiful floral offerings. J. McClellan, A. Brown, A. J. Campbell, W. H. Smith, Fred Williams and P. Burnett acted as pallbearers. The remains were laid at rest in Colwood Burial Park.

## Thank Helpers Of Cheer Fund

Bell Ringers, Carol Singers and Comedy Men at Closing Concert

With a well-varied programme arranged by Sgt. Major R. Guyton for the Canadian Scottish, the Christmas cheer broadcast wound up at the Chamber of Commerce over CFCT last night with a good addition to the fund, but still short of its objective.

Carols played by the Christ Church Cathedral handbell ringers, carol singing led by Harry Hay, Albert Jones and Cedric Jones, comedy numbers, community singing directed by Harry Hay, with Sid Leary, Jim Nesbitt, Stan James, Tom Obee and members of the concert party co-operating, were features of the programme. Members of the regiment gathered around the microphone to give rousing community numbers in addition to the many individual turns. Stan James, Tom Obee, Joe Dobie and Bert Lillie provided the comedy element to the delight of a large crowd, Charles Hunt's Canadian Scottish orchestra rendered fine service.

As a novel feature Tom Merriman and Stan James took a microphone among the audience and invited youngsters and adults to send Christmas greetings over the aid. They also organized groups of children from the audience to sing Christmas numbers, liberally distributing candies as they did so.

Announcers George MacDonald and Tom Merriman expressed thanks to all entertainers, programme sponsors, contributors and all who had assisted, with a special word of praise for the hard workers behind the scenes, W. H. Davies, chairman of the bureau, and T. J. Goodlake, treasurer.

R. F. Blandy, municipal clerk, will be returning officer at the Oak Bay elections January 22, and A. D. Findlay of the municipal staff will be his deputy. Nominations on January 17 and polling will both be at the municipal hall.

### LONDONERS SEE BRIGHT HOLIDAY

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arrival of 1,130,000 boxes or crates of apples, peaches, oranges and pears. A reporter sought to estimate the amount of fowl sold in London's Smithfield Market, but received only a large smile and a Christmas greeting—and that's English understatement.

In editorials newspapers present the historic and religious side of Christmas, proceeding to draw a parallel or moral for contemporary times. The Times said: "Today, sophisticated as the world may seem, there is no change in the potency of Christmas."

numbered, were all that stood in the way of delivery of Teruel into full government control as the start of the civil war more than 17 months ago.

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Among the citations which comprise the lesson-sermon is the following:—"from the Bible: 'And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, now is come salvation, and strength, and the Kingdom of God; and the power of His Christ: for the accuser of His brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night' (Revelation 12:10)."

The lesson-sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "The impersonation of the spiritual idea had a brief history in the earthly life of our Master; but 'of His Kingdom there shall be no end,' for Christ, God's idea, will eventually rule all nations and peoples—imperatively, absolutely, finally—with divine Science."

## Salvation Army

ESQUIMALT CORPS

Services will be held at the Salvation Army Esquimalt Corps Sunday at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. under Major Muttart of Vancouver. The morning subject, "The Need of the Hour," at night, "Belances." Company meeting will commence at 2 p.m. Thursday, December 30, 7:30 p.m. the young people will put on a Christmas entertainment in the Esquimalt Naval and Military Church.

## British-Israel

MIDDLETON GUILD

"Britain and the China Crisis" will be the subject of an address to be given by E. E. Richards, under the auspices of the British-Israel World Federation, on Monday at 8, in the Campbell Building.

Mr. Richards will discuss the crisis in the Orient and the Bible prophecies on the outbreak of the final conflict, usually called Armageddon. Questions to be dealt with will be: "What is meant by the term Armageddon?" "Where and when does Biblical authority say Armageddon will begin, and where will it end?" "What great nations will be involved in the conflict?" "What great event brings it to a

## Anglicans

ST. MARK'S

Christmas services will be held in St. Mark's on Christmas Day at 8 and 11 and again on Sunday at 8 and 11. At 7 o'clock there will be a carol service.

**COLWOOD AND LANGFORD**

Rev. R. E. M. Yerburch will conduct Christmas services at St. John's Church, Colwood, and St. Matthew's, Langford. There will be Holy Communion at 8 and matins and Holy Communion at 11 at St. John's, and Holy Communion services at St. Matthew's will be held at 9:30 on Christmas Day.

On Sunday there will be a carol service at St. John's at 7 and matins and carols at St. Matthew's at 11.

**ST. MARY'S, METCHOSIN**

Services at St. Mary's Church, Metchoshin, during the Christmas season will be as follows: Christmas Day, 8, Holy Communion, and 11, morning prayer and sermon; Sunday, 3, carol service, singing being led by the Metchoshin Choral Society.

**ST. MATTHIAS**

St. Matthias Church will be appropriately decorated for the Christmas festival. The observance of the festival will begin with a celebration of the Holy Communion tonight at 11:30. The service will be short and bright. There will be a celebration of Holy Communion at 8 and a choral celebration with a brief sermon at 11. On Sunday there will be a celebration of Holy Communion at 8, children's service at 9:45, matins and address at 11, and a carol service at 7:30. Rev. Alan Gardiner will preach at 11 on Christmas Day and on Sunday. The choir, under the direction of Mr. Crowhurst, has been working hard and music will be fitting to the occasion.



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livered to the School Board Office, by  
5 p.m., Tuesday, December 28th.  
R. BRYDON, Secretary.

## HOLIDAY SCHEDULE FOR SOCCER TEAMS

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Christmas Day, and the Edin-  
burgh eleven will go all out to  
retain its two-point margin over  
Celtic. The corresponding match  
last year went to Third Lanark,  
3 to 0.

Tommy Walker, Hearts' fam-  
ous international forward, is  
studying for the ministry. "I  
started to read for divinity some  
years ago with the hope some day  
of becoming a minister," said the  
young footballer, who has two  
cousins in the ministry. Walker,  
for whose services Arsenal are  
said to have offered \$12,000  
(\$60,000), will probably study at  
Edinburgh University for five  
years.

## CELTIC SHOULD WIN

Winty conditions disrupted  
league soccer last Saturday and  
only two games were completed,  
but Celtic's 3 to 0 victory over  
Hibernians sent the Glasgow  
players ahead of their rivals,  
Rangers, in the league table.

## At Midnight Matinee

Adolphe Menjou thrills Ginger  
Rogers with his roscate descrip-  
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## Stars Roller-sliding



The roller-slide, is the novel setting for one of the many sequences of the fun house dance performed by Fred Astaire, George Burns and Gracie Allen in "A Damsel in Distress," RKO Radio dance-and-melody romance featuring Joan Fontaine, Reginald Gardiner and Ray Noble. It comes to the Dominion Theatre Sunday midnight.

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December 23, 8 p.m.—Shipping:  
CORABELLE, Montreal, for Vancouver  
via Victoria, 240 miles from Vancouver.  
ALBERTOLITE, for Port San Luis, 419  
miles from Port San Luis.  
ONTARIO, for San Pedro, 484  
miles from San Pedro.  
December 24, 12 noon—Weather:  
Elevated—Snow, northwest, light; 29.26;  
59.48, smooth.  
Pachena—Northwest, moderate; 29.24;  
59.48, smooth.  
Sewell—Cloudy; west-southwest,  
fresh; 29.30; 59.38, sea rough.  
Chase—Snow, west, moderate; 29.21;  
59.38, rough.

## Around the Docks

### TO BE LINED HERE

To be lined for grain, Norwegian freighter Olaf Bergh is expected to be in Victoria Christmas Day, according to King Bros., local shipping agents.

The Olaf Bergh, a vessel of 3,637 net tons, and registered at Bergen, Norway, will go alongside the Canadian National docks, where she will be lined by the Empire Stevedoring Company. When she completes here the Olaf Bergh will shift to Prince Rupert to load grain for the United Kingdom.

### SHIP TO REFIT

When the Canadian Pacific liner Empress of Japan, which sails from here tomorrow for the Orient, reaches Hongkong January 19, she will lay up for three weeks for her annual refit in dry-dock.

Returning to this coast the Empress of Japan will sail from Hongkong February 8, arriving here February 26.

### KING EDGAR DUE

One of the last lumber ships of the year to load at Victoria will be Ss. King Edgar. She is expected to arrive at the Canadian National docks on Tuesday next to load approximately 600,000 feet of lumber for the United Kingdom.

Ms. King Lud, a freighter well-known at this port, has been fixed by the North Pacific Shipping Company Ltd. to load a capacity

B.C. cargo for Capetown, Durban, Lourenco Marques and Beira.

HAS CONCENTRATES

Laden with concentrates and logs and general for Japan, Ms. Koryu Maru passed out to sea shortly before midnight.

The Koryu Maru took on 3,000 tons of concentrates at Britannia Beach and an additional 3,700 tons of concentrates, 300,000 feet of logs and 2,000 tons of general at Vancouver.

Her ports of call are Yokohama, Nagoya and Osaka.

CORABELLE HERE

Last ship to get away from the St. Lawrence River before ice closed the eastern waterway to ocean traffic, Ss. Corabelle, operated by the Vancouver-St. Lawrence Line, reached here today from Montreal.

The vessel carried general cargo, principally eastern Canadian-manufactured goods for discharge at the Canadian National docks. She will proceed to Vancouver to put off the balance of her cargo.

CUMBERHALL SHIFTS

Ss. Cumberhall, which this week took aboard 650,000 feet of lumber at the Canadian National docks here, shifted from Chemainus this afternoon for Vancouver, according to the local pilotage authority.

AUSTRALIA LOADING

Fixtures of the British Ms. Queen Anne to lift a cargo of logs and lumber at British Columbia ports for Australia is announced by B.C. Shipping Agencies Limited. The Queen Anne is expected to arrive here January 10 and will sail two weeks later for Melbourne.

ASIA ON MONDAY

Capt. George Gould, commander of the C.P.R. liner Empress of Asia, reported today that he expected to bring his ship into quarantine at noon on Monday, according to James Macfarlane, C.P.R. district passenger agent. The three-stacker will probably berth at the Rithet docks an hour later.

Pilots' Lookout

Ss. Corabelle arrived at Canadian National docks from Montreal, 1 p.m.

Ms. Benjamin Franklin passed for Vancouver, 5.40 a.m.

Ss. Clearpool passed out to sea from Vancouver, 7.45 a.m.

Ss. Levernbank passed out from Vancouver for United Kingdom, 9 a.m.

Ss. Cuzco passed out to sea from Vancouver, 10.15 a.m.

Ss. Cumberhall shifted from Chemainus for Vancouver, 2 p.m.

## SMELTERS UP

### AT MONTREAL

MONTREAL (CP)—In holiday mood, traders restricted their activities to flinging ticker tape about the exchange floor Friday and left the stock market to look after itself.

Price Brothers paper slipped to a new low for the year of 13 1/2, rallying to close up 1/4 at 14 1/4.

St. Lawrence Corp. issues, however, gave ground.

Odd-lots of Smelters showed a gain of a point at 59 while Nickel strengthened fractionally. Canadian Car preferred and C.P.R. sold lower. Ahead fractions were Dominion Steel B and National Steel Car.

(By H. A. Humber Ltd.)

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Bathurst P.P. 145-1/2

Bell Telephone 123-1/2

Brazil Traction 145-1/2

B.R. Power A. 35-1/2

Bruck Bldg. 25-1/2

Can. Cement 10-1/2

Can. Steamships 2-1/2

Can. Foundry 10-1/2

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## Armament Stocks Are Active Today

### NEW YORK (AP)—Speculative forces concentrated their buying on armament stocks in today's market, leaving many leaders to shift for themselves at lower levels.

Bids for selected aircraft, steel and specialties mingled with the melody of Christmas peace carols coming from just outside the Stock Exchange. Gains running to three or more points were reduced near the final hour and losers were plentiful.

Dealings were comparatively light, transfers being at the rate of about 1,000,000 shares.

Gold mining issues, with Dome in the lead, were favored for a time. Motors, utilities, rubbers, rails and coppers failed to join the push, and most remained behind small minus signs.

At the beginning of the final hour advances were in the majority in the government list, ranging up to 7-32ds for Federal Farm Mortgage 3s.

American Waterworks 6s improved a point and fractional gains were recorded for Armour of Delaware 4s, Bethlehem Steel 3 1/2s, Good-year 5s and International Hydro-electric 6s.

On the losing side were Baltimore & Ohio 4 1/2s, St. Paul 5s, Cuban Northern Railway 5 1/2s, Great Northern 4s, New York Central 5s and Western Union 5s.

(By H. A. Humber Ltd.)

Dow Jones averages closed today as follows:

Thirty Industrials—127.36, off 0.27.

Twenty rails—31.49, off 0.27.

Twenty utilities—21.17, off 0.14.

Air Reduction 33-1/2

Alcoa 168-1/2

Allis Chalmers 49-1/2

Alumina 7-1/2

American Can 74-1/2

American Celanese 13-1/2

American Locomotive 21-1/2

American Paper 10-1/2

American P. & L. 6-1/2

American Rubber 13-1/2

American Smelter 49-1/2

American Tobacco 42-1/2

American Waterworks 12-1/2

Anacostia Copper 32-1/2

Atlantic Refining 19-1/2

B. & O. Railway 11-1/2

Baldwin Locomotive 12-1/2

Bendix Aviation 12-1/2

Beth. Steel 62-1/2

Boeing 32-1/2

Borden 21-1/2

Borg Warner 22-1/2

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C. P. R. 15-1/2

Caterpillar Tractor 51-1/2

Celanese 12-1/2

Cerro de Pasco 37-1/2

C. & O. Railway 11-1/2

Chrysler 34-1/2

Commercial Solvent 21-1/2

Commonwealth and So. 21-1/2

Com. Edison 40-1/2

Cont. Can. 40-1/2

Coca Cola 9-1/2

Cook Oil 30-1/2

Crown Zellerbach 38-1/2

Curtis Wright 38-1/2

D. A. 16-1/2

Deere and Co. 24-1/2

Dow Chemical 17-1/2

Dupont 117-1/2

Eastman Kodak 117-1/2

Electric Power and Light 13-1/2

Freeport Texas 23-1/2

General Electric 44-1/2

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Goodrich 22-1/2

Goodyear 22-1/2

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Great Western 21-1/2

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## PRICES MIXED ON BOND LIST

### NEW YORK (AP)—The bond market showed little disposition to branch out in either direction today.

U.S. Governments were quiet and mixed.

Foreign bonds did little except two issues of Poland which gained around a point. Japanese 5 1/2s also were a shade improved.

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# 'Twas The Night Before Christmas

by Clement C. Moore



'Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house  
Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse;  
The stockings were hung by the chimney with care,  
In hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be there;  
The children were nestled all snug in their beds,  
While visions of sugar plums danced in their heads;  
And Mamma in her kerchief, and I in my cap,  
Had just settled our brains for a long Winter nap;  
When out on the lawn there arose such a clatter,  
I sprang from my bed to see what was the matter.

Away to the window I flew like a flash,  
Tore open the shutters and threw up the sash,  
The moon, on the breast of the new-fallen snow,  
Gave a lustre of midday to objects below;  
When, what to my wondering eyes should appear,  
But a miniature sleigh and eight tiny reindeer,  
With a little old driver, so lively and quick,  
I knew in a moment it must be St. Nick.  
More rapid than eagles his coursers they came,  
And he whistled, and shouted, and called them by name.

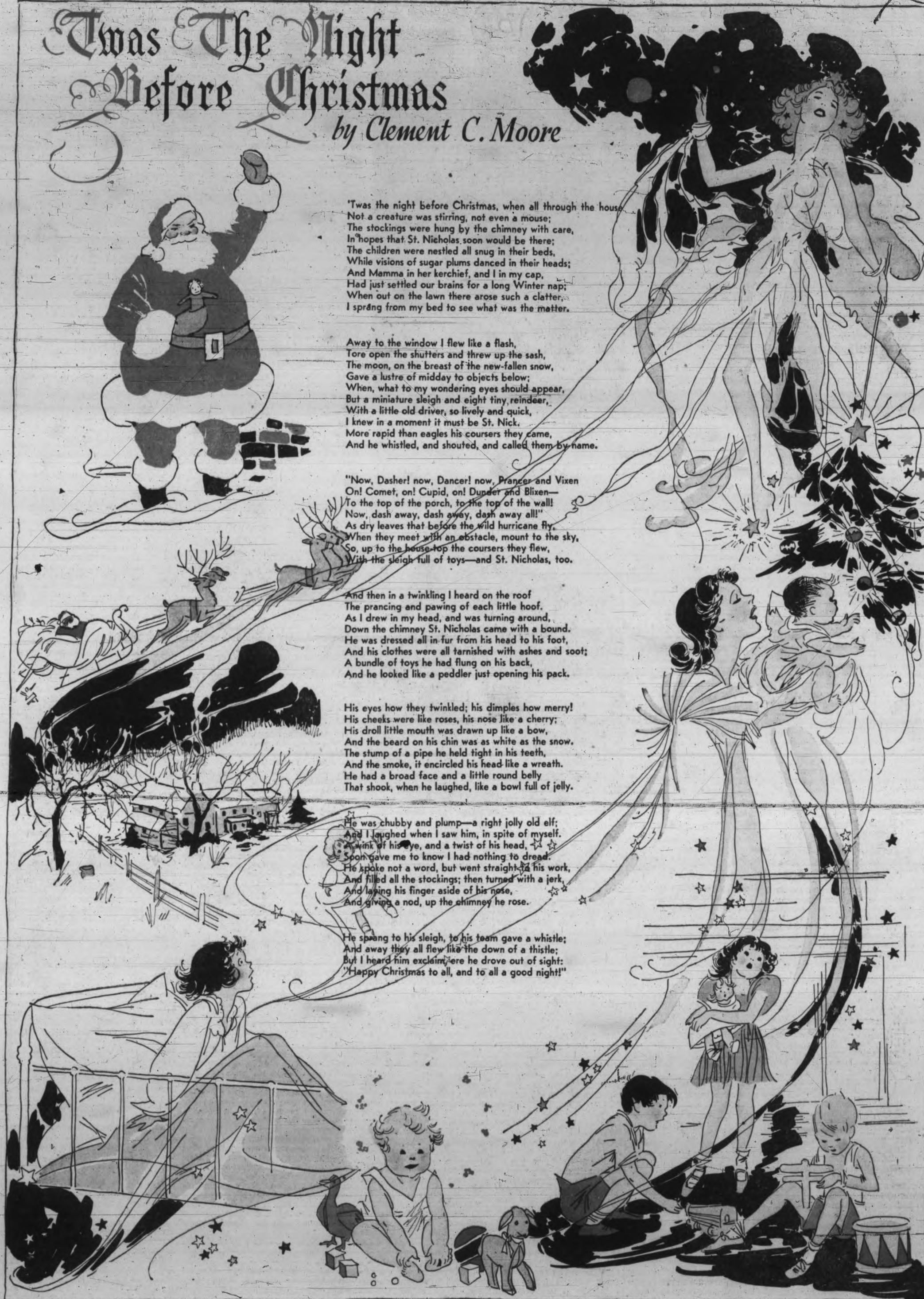
"Now, Dasher! now, Dancer! now, Prancer and Vixen  
On! Comet, on! Cupid, on! Dunder and Blixen—  
To the top of the porch, to the top of the wall!  
Now, dash away, dash away, dash away all!"  
As dry leaves that before the wild hurricane fly,  
When they meet with an obstacle, mount to the sky,  
So, up to the house-top the coursers they flew,  
With the sleigh full of toys—and St. Nicholas, too.

And then in a twinkling I heard on the roof  
The prancing and pawing of each little hoof.  
As I drew in my head, and was turning around,  
Down the chimney St. Nicholas came with a bound.  
He was dressed all in-fur from his head to his foot,  
And his clothes were all tarnished with ashes and soot;  
A bundle of toys he had flung on his back,  
And he looked like a peddler just opening his pack.

His eyes how they twinkled; his dimples how merry!  
His cheeks were like roses, his nose like a cherry;  
His droll little mouth was drawn up like a bow,  
And the beard on his chin was as white as the snow.  
The stump of a pipe he held tight in his teeth,  
And the smoke, it encircled his head like a wreath.  
He had a broad face and a little round belly  
That shook, when he laughed, like a bowl full of jelly.

He was chubby and plump—a right jolly old elf;  
And I laughed when I saw him, in spite of myself.  
A wink of his eye, and a twist of his head,  
Soon gave me to know I had nothing to dread.  
He spoke not a word, but went straight to his work,  
And filled all the stockings; then turned with a jerk,  
And laying his finger aside of his nose,  
And giving a nod, up the chimney he rose.

He sprang to his sleigh, to his team gave a whistle;  
And away they all flew like the down of a thistle;  
But I heard him exclaim, ere he drove out of sight:  
"Happy Christmas to all, and to all a good night!"





## MUSIC

Christmas Carols: Their  
Glorious and Joyous  
Tunes Which Every-  
body Can Sing

How warm the air, yon Christmas-tree fair!  
How brightly burning, the candles there!  
'Tis happy, such time—O dream past com-  
pare!

—Cornelius.

AS THE years come and go and we grow old with them, it seems that no sooner are the good old summer days tucked away and the autumn tints on tree and hedge are seen than the wonderful season of Christmas descends upon us, when for a time at least, everywhere there is joy in our hearts and songs of happiness on our lips, all partakers of the happiest of all feasts in celebration of the birth of a Saviour.

## THE GLORIOUS MOTIFS

DESPITE the age-old course of wars, the song of the herald angels, "Glory to God in the Highest and on Earth Peace, Good Will Toward Men," will not, can not die. And once again music gives forth the glorious motifs, and the merry bells ringing—ringing in spire and tower, all in proclamation of the Prince of Peace in this, the hour of the feast of the Nativity.

For many a day and night we all shall sing the joyful carols as of old: "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing," "The First Nowell," "Good King Wenceslas," "I Saw Three Ships," "While Shepherds Watched," "O Come, All Ye Faithful," "God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen" and "Christians Awake."

And on many a concert platform and in church and cathedral many parts of the grandest of all oratorios, "The Messiah," will be heard. It is the time of feasting and song, and may we join in the time-honored wish "A Merry Christmas" to everyone.

## "IN EXCELSIS GLORIA"

GLORY BE TO GOD ON HIGH," sung by the angels over the fields of Bethlehem, constituted the very first carol. Since those days, about 1,600 years ago, carols have become a large part of Christmas. We are all familiar with their simple and direct ways, and their songs, full of the purest kind of human love, can be understood, and what is much more, everybody can sing their quaint beauties.

## "CHRISTIANS AWAKE"

WHO CAN resist such tunes and words as are written in the above-named carols? So Christmas is they that there is room in them for everybody to bring his or her gift, room for all Christendom to lay its suspicions and jealousies aside and its burdens down for a while at least. Perhaps the most popular carol in Britain is "Christians Awake." Time has not dimmed its joyous tune and beautifully appropriate words.

Modern composers are inspired with its traditions, and whenever Christmas comes new carols and new Christmas anthems are written in almost countless numbers.

NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE'S  
"MESSIAH" BROADCAST

THROUGH the courtesy of the Strathcona Hotel management, a group of musical people a few mornings ago had the pleasure of hearing a magnificent broadcast presentation of Part I of "The Messiah," given by the North Staffordshire Chorus. One of England's foremost conductors, Dr. Malcolm Sargent, conducted; instrumental assistance was provided by a Birmingham orchestra, and the soloists were well-known artists. Notes and comments were made by G.J.D., profoundly impressed with the performance at the time. It was learned afterwards that very many lovers of the beloved oratorio had also listened in.

## MANY THANKS

The writer wishes to thank some anonymous friend in the gift of a record of "The Hallelujah Chorus," made by the Royal Choral Society of London, England.

## PROGRAMME-BUILDING AN ART

QUITE recently The Times music column had this to say: "Programme-making is intensely interesting, but at the same time is extremely difficult. It was hoped, also, that the Man on the Street would not think that the building of a programme to a musician was an easy matter."

I was not altogether surprised when a few evenings ago a "musical correspondent" to The Times, in a somewhat facetious and satirical conscript, in reply, declared that "choosing a programme was not a difficulty, that it 'only requires a little knowledge, a well-filled music library, and, if the audience were intelligent, it was easy.' Such a declaration is the first that G.J.D. (not J.G.D., as 'arranged' by our musical correspondent) has met in his long experience, and feels sure that any 'intelligent audience' would be the first to discriminate between a poor and a well-selected programme. Further, G.J.D. would ask this anonymous musical correspondent to consult any concert manager, conductor, choirmaster or organist, any bandmaster, soloist or any concert group and musical organization, and if any one of these was of the opinion that programme-making is an easy matter, then the writer of The Times music column has been living in a 'fool's paradise.'

## B.C. Archives Adventures BOOKS

By REBY EDMOND

ON THE delta of the Cowichan River, on Lomahken Hill, there stands an abandoned stone church, the first stone church ever built on Vancouver Island. Many are the tales told about the building of it. Ghostly tales, barbarous tales—of how so and so tried to complete it and he died mysteriously, how someone else took up the task and he was killed by a fall of rock—of how another person came and then another until finally, in desperation, the structure was abandoned and left in its present condition without doors and with gaping windows, a home for things that crawl by night and hide by day; a stone shell for every breeze to whistle through. An eerie place to be avoided.

Even at the price of blasting Duncan's pet bit of folklore, the real story of the church must be told, for it is so much more interesting than their long tale of gloomy deaths. And it should be, for it is the story of a great man's vision and bravery; it is the story, too, of the most blood-thirsty tribe on the island and of the kindly Sisters of St. Ann, who in what was then a lonely outpost in the wilderness, gathered under their care the sick and orphaned.

HE SET OUT TOWARD  
DUNCAN—THE END OF  
THE WORLD

In 1858 Father Rondeau set out from Victoria on foot. His baggage was simple: his breviary, a sack of flour and a gun. Arriving at Saanich, he obtained a canoe and was paddled up the coast to a place called Cowichan, where a handful of white men were holding at bay a resentful wilderness and a tribe of Indians called the Quamichans by some, and by others, names which are not exactly printable. Certainly a more sullen lot of bloodthirsty hoodlums were not to be found on the island at that time.

In this spot, where a native was proud to strut around with the grizzly proof of as many as 15 murders both private and public hanging from his belt, and where the howling of the wolves and the wailing of the cougars echoed and re-echoed through the gloomy vault of the night, he built a simple log cabin and set up an altar.

## THE SETTLERS IN DANGER

Father Rondeau despaired of ever bringing peace to these tribes. Never could the settlers go to their beds with a feeling of security. Never could they leave their cabins for the fields without carrying weapons, and then, suddenly—the thing that they had all been dreading happened! The Quamichans were on the warpath to wipe out the settlers! Even now they were being whipped to a frenzy by their medicine men, even now the beat of their drums could be heard!

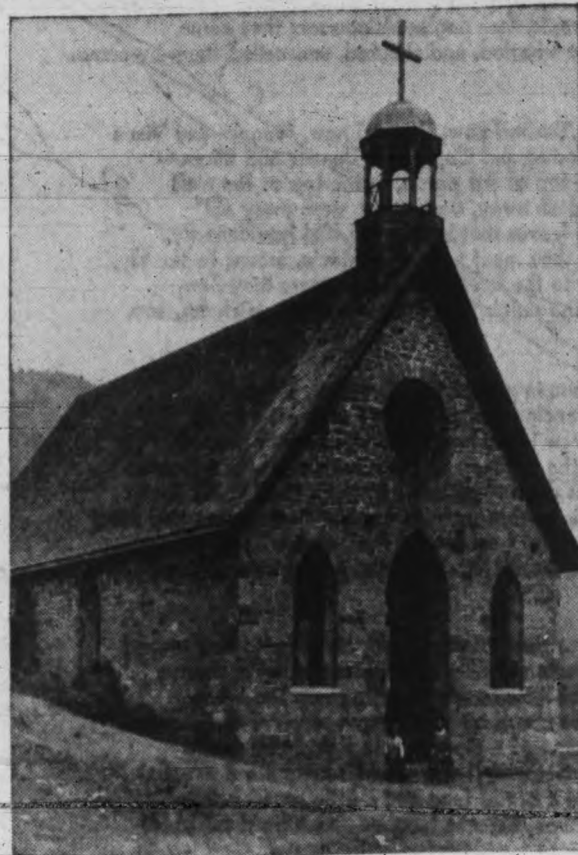
Someone carried the word to Father Rondeau. Immediately he set out at a run for the rise of land overlooking the bay where it was reported that the tribe had assembled. They were there, in full war paint, assembled around the medicine men, dancing to the chanting of the women.

Without hesitation, he strode into the midst of this maddened, naked throng and spoke to them sharply. They were used to listening to him. They stopped their chanting and gathered around him—but menacingly. Then he began to speak to them simply as if they were children. He reminded them of the lessons he had taught them. "Thou shalt not kill" and "Do unto others—" He must have had a great power of eloquence, this man, or else the desperation of the occasion gave him added force, for soon, these paint-smeared savages were hanging their heads in shame and creeping back into the forest.

In 1870, a group of thankful settlers saw these same Indians carrying stone to this spot above the delta. Here they helped to erect a church—the church—to



The trader had forgotten to sell them belts.



Unfinished stone church on the hillside above the Cowichan River flats.

commemorate the time that the good Father averted a massacre of the white settlers.

HIGH MASS AT THE  
OLD CHURCH

Not only was the church finished, but services were held there for many years. Sister Mary Theodore, who celebrated her 81st birthday but a few weeks ago, went to Duncan in 1878 to teach at the St. Ann's Girls' Orphanage and often attended services in this old stone church.

One midnight mass at a Christmas time long ago must be an occasion long remembered for her.

Plans were made to take the children down from Duncan to the stone church. As it was a long walk over narrow forest trails, they needed torches. For these they took bottles, tied a string around them tightly at the point where they wanted them to break, and then dipped them first into scalding water and then into cold. Immediately, the bottles cracked along the string line and gave them a kind of globe. By pushing a candle down into the bottle neck, the flame was protected from the breeze, and it also gave them a convenient handle to be held by. The whole day before Christmas was spent in making these torches.

One can imagine the high tension which held the little group as they left the orphanage and stepped into the blackness of the forest the next night. One can almost hear the giggling of the small girls as they held their glass torches high. One can almost hear the swish, swish of

the sister's skirts as they brushed against the leafless bushes of that dark trail. One can almost see the tiny circles of ruddy light which punctuated the tremendous gloom of the lowering cedar branches and rivaled the paler sparks of sharp light in that bleak, wintry sky that was somewhere above the trees. In and out among the giant trunks they wove their way, cheerful little ghosts, now in sight, now not in sight, attended by the Sisters of St. Ann, hushing them and keeping them in order, but feeling within themselves the children's excitement.

At the fork of the trail they were truly startled, for out stepped a file of Indians, silent, sure-footed—the whole Quamichan tribe was there, and they, too, were going to Christmas mass in the old stone church. But the earnestness of this encounter soon passed and the little girls took to giggling again. The Quamichans looked a terribly solemn, and for this important occasion they had all donned their newly-acquired trousers. They were doing their best. It was not their fault that the trader had forgotten to sell them belts.

And so they all went down the trail to the old stone church and at midnight their voices rose in praise of Him—and the age-old words were carried out into the still Christmas air—out over the Cowichan Delta and over the bay and back into the dim aisles of the forest. They sang—the sisters and the settlers and the children and the Indians. Christ was in a New Land.

Fast, Rough, Brutal,  
But It's Romantic

JAMES M. CAIN is as hard-boiled, as thoroughly readable and as romantic—in his side-of-the-mouth, tough-guy manner—as ever; and his new novel, "Serenade" is well worth your while if you can stand a few shocks.

In this book, Mr. Cain deals with a broken-down grand opera singer who is on his uppers in Mexico City. Voice gone, money gone and pride gone, this man falls madly in love with a half-breed prostitute, recovers his lost voice by a convenient miracle, smuggles the lady back to the United States and sets out to make a career for himself.

What happens then is almost as dizzy as some of the things that happen in real life. He breaks into the movies, scores a big success, gets a Metropolitan contract, and is presently sitting on the world, back in New York, as wealthy and as successful as a man could wish to be.

Then his buried past bites back at him. A sinister rich man who has a more-than-brotherly attachment for him comes on the scene; the hot-blooded Mexican lady picks up a bull-fighter's sword and kills the rich man—and then our singer goes down the ladder as fast as he came up, fleeing with his lady love to Latin-America again and winding up about where he started on his uppers in Mexico City.

All of this, Mr. Cain unrolls for you with great skill, so that this becomes one of those "once I picked it up I couldn't lay it down" books. It is fast, violent, outspoken, brutal—and, under everything, essentially romantic.

Romance isn't necessarily a matter of honeyed speeches, moonlight and honey-suckle, and stately southern plantations. It is principally a way of looking at life; among other things, it is the idea that the world can be well lost for love. That idea Mr. Cain expresses in this book.

Time, Space, Matter  
In Strange New Book

IT IS a strange, dazzling and altogether remarkable book that M. P. Shiel has written in "The Young Men Are Coming" (Vanguard). Here is a novel which, among other things, discusses the immortality of the soul, the marriages of the stars, Fascism in Great Britain, the limitations of modern science, the perfectibility of man and the things that are apt to happen when an aged married couple is unexpectedly rejuvenated.

Mr. Shiel seems to have gone tipsy on some wine from Arcturus—at the nearest. His imagination bounds off to the farthest galaxies, leads him to concoct a plot such as H. G. Wells at his wildest could only blink at, and gives him a surging, sparkling literary style that is uncommonly effective.

It is impossible to synopsise his book in less than half a column, but here is a hint as to its general tenor. Magical beings from some ultra-remote star visit the earth one night, carry off an aged scientist, feed him a liquid that restores him to the age of 25, and then brings him back to earth again. There is no holding the old gentleman after that; he goes wenching and rollicking about, starts a streamlined dictator movement, summons a cosmic storm from heaven to confound a kiver-to-kiver evangelist—and winds up by falling madly in love with his own wife, who has managed to get a swig of his rejuvenating elixir herself.

Yet "The Young Men Are Coming" is far more than a mere fantasy. It takes in man, the earth, the solar system, the entire universe. It offers fascinating new conceptions of time, of space, of inert matter, of life itself. Its horizons are boundless and its sweep is overwhelming. Even if you dislike it intensely, you will find it a prodigiously stimulating book.

Ad Man In China  
Sees Brighter Side

WHILE the air is heavy with news of Chinese bombs, it is refreshing to read Carl Crow's account of some lighter and brighter sides of Chinese life—"400 Million Customers" (Harpers).

Mr. Crow has managed an advertising agency in Shanghai for 25 years. His great good humor and tolerance make him an excellent person to describe the enigmatic, seemingly ingenuous yet often ingenious Chinese. He knows Chinese business men best—from office boy up—but as advertising touches upon many phases of living, a pretty well-rounded picture of life in Shanghai comes out in this series of entertaining experiences.

Ever since the days of Marco Polo, those millions of potential customers have lured foreign merchants. But many things make selling anything to the Chinese difficult. In the first place, they are unbelievably poor. Only about 10 per cent can read. Billboards convey picture messages, but one at least was suspected as a refuge for evil spirits and Mr. Crow had to set off \$20 worth of fireworks on a lucky day to scare the devils away.

If you give free samples, the chances are you'll ruin the actual sale of your product, for either the newsboys clip the coupons and collect most of the samples to sell or the clerks themselves sell them. If you change a label on an established brand, the Chinese will no longer buy it. Even the illiterate can count the number of letters and he is

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"And So—Victoria"  
Rates High In  
Sense of Period

SENSE of period—by which its author, Mr. Vaughan Wilkins, seems imaginatively to have lived in the past with ability to communicate his experience—is the cardinal feature of the first novel "And So—Victoria," published in Canada by Thomas Nelson & Son.

To put the Hanoverian wicked uncles into a novel to be published before Coronation was, no doubt, good business, but better is to be said of "And So—Victoria" than that it was opportune. Passages describing the plight of hapless children in the clutches of a labor recruiter are masterly examples of social indignation in fiction, their effectiveness enhanced by their being surrounded by the full-blooded flamboyance of a romantic novel. Rightly is this book flamboyant. A period is not to be confined between exact dates, and in spirit this period is the Regency. Brighton Pavilion writing is the right writing, with robust naturalism in able contrast.

Mr. Wilkins has the story-teller's magic. "And So—Victoria," in a year of good first novels, is the best first novel many reviewers have noticed.

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# A Merry Christmas To All Children

## Willie Winkle

WELL, here it is Christmas Eve and I hope everybody in Victoria and everywhere else is happy and looking forward to a great time tomorrow. I hope all the poor children will find some happiness during the day and I know that Jack and Skinny and I are going to be prouder than we've ever been before even if we don't get any presents from Santa Claus. We're going to be happy 'cause we think we're going to make Jimmie Grant happy. We've got that bike all fixed up for him and we're taking it over to his place tonight. We let his mother and father in on the secret and we told them that they're to let Jimmie think they gave it to him and that he's not to know anything about our part in it.

Gee, I'd just like to see Jimmie's face in the morning. I'll bet it will be a great sight, no fooling.

We feel pretty proud of our work. You remember Grannie Brown gave us a bicycle last week that was used by her son, Charlie, who was killed in the Great War in France. She never wanted the bike used again but when she heard what we were trying to do for Jimmie Grant, why, she up and gave us the bike.

WHEN we got it back to "The Pirate's Den" we had to dust it off and then see how the wheels worked. They hadn't been oiled for 20 years and were a bit squeaking.

"Let's dismantle her," said Skinny.  
"What do you mean by that?" asked Jack.  
"Take her all to pieces and then we'll oil her up and see if anything needs to be replaced," said Skinny.  
"But we may get it to pieces and never get it put together again," I said.

"Well, I know you'd never get it put together but there's one thing 'bout Skinny that I won't question and that's his mechanic's papers," said Jack. "He may not know much, but I'll bet he could take Capt. Eyston's Thunderbolt apart and put it together again."  
"Yeh, and I could drive that Thunderbolt, too," said Skinny.  
"Well, never mind about Thunderbolts, let's get these bolts set right on the bike," Jack said.

WE SOON had the basement floor strewn with nuts and bolts and parts of the coaster brake.

"Don't know 'bout these tires," said Skinny. "Better slide down to the gas station at the corner and pump them up. They might hold. These wooden rims look alright, too."

"They sure build bikes different now," I said. "This bike's 'bout as old-fashioned as a 1917 automobile."

"Well, we can't help that; all we want to know is will this old boat go?" said Skinny.

We got everything well oiled and the tires seemed to be alright and then Skinny said we'd have to paint the frame. We argued about a color and decided on blue with white rims. We had to raise the price of the enamel from Mr. Stephens. It was Skinny's idea, he said why not get Mr. Stephens, our neighbor, over to look at our work and then tell him the story and perhaps he'll dig down in his pocket and pay for the enamel. Mr. Stephens came over and he was tickled to death over our work and we thought he was going to walk out without paying for the enamel, when Skinny said: "Say, you kids keep on praying for that enamel and I'll go and see Mr. Warden (he's the neighbor on our other side and Mr. Stephens doesn't like him 'cause his dog is always digging up his flowers), perhaps he has some enamel."

"Oh, I'll pay for the enamel. How much is it?" asked Mr. Stephens.

"Haven't any idea," said Skinny, who stopped quickly from running over to Mr. Warden's. "But I'll get it and charge it up to you, if you like."

"No, here's a dollar, bring me back the change," said Mr. Stephens.

"Here, Willie, hop on your bike and get to town and get this enamel. We might get a couple of coats on before Christmas Eve," said Skinny.

WELL, we got everything fixed up fine by Thursday night and this morning we brought the bike over to see the bike. We got Mrs. Grant 'cause women are more appreciative of things than men, don't you think?

Mrs. Grant just broke down and cried. That made us feel bad. Tears do a funny thing to you, don't you think? We whistled about for a few minutes and then Mrs. Grant said:

"It's too lovely of you boys. Jimmie will be pleased. You boys will have to present it to him yourselves," she said.

"Oh, no, it's a present from you and Mr. Grant to Jimmie," Skinny said. "We want Jimmie to think his parents got it for him."

"But he knows we haven't the money to buy it," she said.

"That'll make him all the more proud of you," Jack said.

"But I can't do it," she said, and started to cry again.

We nearly gave in but I said: "Sorry, Mrs. Grant, but you'll have to do it. If Jimmie finds out alright, but you mustn't tell him, that would spoil our pleasure."

"Alright, boys, may God bless you all," Mrs. Grant said. "I'll bring such joy into all our hearts. I hope some day I'll be able to repay you."

And then she went home and we put the finishing touches to the bike and tonight it goes over to Jimmie's place.

## Christmas Birthdays

Day Not Very Popular Because One Present Does for Two Events

WHY IS Christmas Day so little in favor as a birthday? A child born on December 25 soon finds that the two present-receiving occasions of the year are combined in one, and in later life there is a sense of deprivation, not to say of rank injustice, when birthday and Christmas presents are received in one parcel.

Births are comparatively rare on December 25. A wealthy Englishman publicly invited to dinner on Boxing Day all who, like himself, were born on Christmas Day. Only two persons accepted.

Similar was the result of a quest by the Society of Noelites, membership of which is confined to those born on Christmas Day. Some years ago it offered to adopt every child in Dr. Barnardo's Homes whose birthday was December 25. At the time there were 6,000 youngsters on the books, and it seemed, therefore, that the society was about to enter upon a big undertaking; but out of that number only one was found eligible.

IN SOME hospitals all babies born on Christmas Day are given Noel as a second name, and it is customary in others for girls to be named Christine. Mothers in a provincial hospital are advised to call baby girls Mary.

A child born to a couple named Day was registered Pudding Day, as a Mr. and Mrs. Duck named a daughter Yuletide Duck. In after years she became plain Sarah. Holly, Merry, Carol, Almond, Valencia—these and other names have also been used, and at least one person appears in the registers of Somerset House as Merry Christmas.

A few years back the father of a Noelite wished to have him christened King Wenceslaus, under the impression that that monarch, if not a saint, was little short of one; but in the end he was persuaded to substitute Joseph.

Despite the comparative fewness of the births at Christmas, there have been some eminent Noelites. Among those born on December 25 were Sir Isaac Newton, Dorothy Wordsworth, Samuel Smiles and Henry Russell, author of "Cheer, Boys, Cheer."

Living Noelites include three Scottish peers—the Earl of Carnarvon, Lord Reay (the Dutch-born chief of Clan Mackay, who assumed British nationality on succeeding to the title in 1921), and the Earl of Incheape. Viscount Hardinge of Lahore is also a Noelite.

Tibetans write their prayers on the shoulder blades of sheep and hang them over a pathway. When set in motion by passers-by, the bones are believed to offer up the prayer.

## Quints' Christmas Coloring Sketch Kibon's Lesson



What's this? A surprise package for Emilie! No wonder she's so excited as she hurries to unwrap the gift genial old Santa has brought her. Color the stockings hanging on the mantel in the shades you think they should be, as well as the wreath, the Christmas wrappings, Emilie's dress, Santa's suit and cap, the rug on the floor and anything else you like. Then turn to page 7 comic section and see what Emilie found in her package. Or maybe you can guess.

## The Life of a Christmas Tree

By MARGARET DEANS

NIGHT fell silently over the hushed woods and the world was wrapped in slumber, when a few white flakes slid softly to the earth. Just enough were there to transfigure everything with a warm, white blanket.

"Oh, it is beautiful!" thought a young fir tree, which had encountered ten preceding winters such as this. He snugly buried his branches in the snow, feeling very warm and drowsy.

Next morning many children came trotting along with axes or saws. Now it must be confessed that this particular fir always felt proud of its beautiful shape. It cared nothing if the other trees were cut, some being left to die, until someone came to cut it. Then how sad and sorry it was to leave its lovely forest home!

It now envied the trees that were too ugly to be cut, for the evergreen knew they would be able to live their full life.

THE TREE was dragged away to a tiny cottage and stood

up in the corner of a room. The room being very warm made the branches droop in spite of its attempt to hold up.

Later in the evening four children came in and began decorating the tree. Their tongues went as fast as their fingers, if not faster, and the tree soon gathered the information that next day was Christmas, a festivity long celebrated among men, and a holy day.

"I hope Santa will remember that bicycle with the little flag in front of the handlebars," called Harry across the room to Daphne.

"Oh, it's sure to come," Daphne answered. "All I want to know is whether there will be a doll left after Santa has visited other homes. I do want one, for Susan is hairless and Mary has neither arms nor legs."

THE OTHERS were too busy to express their wishes, but how proud the tree felt by this time! He had been picked especially to make these children happy.

Later in the evening the children, with their parents, toasted

marshmallows, roasted nuts and sang songs around the open fireplace, over which the stockings would be hung before the children went to bed.

Just a little after 6 the next morning the Christmas tree heard them racing downstairs and saw them rush towards the stockings, which were soon emptied, while each toy was examined with squeals of delight. The day rolled on. Callers came and went, greetings flew as readily as snowballs, and every one was busy.

After a heavy but satisfying dinner the family opened the presents that lay in a confused way around the evergreen. Great was the rejoicing, for each had received what he wanted. Being stripped of its presents, the tree spent a very sad and lonely night wondering what would happen next day. It soon found out, for after the decorations were taken off, it was burned.

"Oh, what a sad, cruel world!" it thought as the flames started to lick up its branches.

## The Reindeer That Disliked His Thin Legs Finally Joined Santa Claus

KIBOU was a reindeer and exceedingly vain. One day he stood gazing at his reflection in a pool. "Ah!" said he. "What a very fine creature I am, and what splendid antlers I have; they are so long and graceful!" Then he looked down at his legs and sighed. "If only I had fine thick brawny legs instead of these thin, stick-like things," he said, "I'd be the most beautiful creature on earth."

Suddenly he heard the cries of the hunters. In a flash he sprang from the pool and went leaping through the forest. Like the wind he ran, but the hunters gained upon him. "Oh, legs!" he cried. "Carry me faster, and I will never mock you again."

Faster and faster his thin legs carried him, and he would most surely have escaped, but—crash! his antlers caught in a hanging branch. He pulled, struggled, kicked—in vain. He could not break free. Entangled and quivering the hunters found him; they tied him up, took him back to their village and made him draw their sledges. Every day his lot seemed harder. "Now I see how foolish I was," he groaned. "Had it not been for the antlers I boasted of, the legs I despised would have carried me to safety."

"I see you have learnt your lesson, Kibou," said a kindly voice. "And your punishment shall be lightened."

Kibou looked in surprise into a face with twinkling blue eyes, a snow-white beard and radiant smile. It belonged to an old man in a red coat, the hood of which was drawn over his head. He wore big fleece-lined boots and there was holly in his buttonhole. "All the year you shall run free, as before," Santa Claus promised, "but once a year you shall draw my sledge with my other reindeer, and you shall be the leader of the team. Come, the toys are packed. Let us go!"

## Christmas Ifs

If you do not go to bed At the time that mummy said, If you lie in bed till eight, And creep down to breakfast late, If you leave your room a wreck, And omit to wash your neck, If you say "I won't!" "I sha'n't!" To your mummy, nurse or aunt, If you do not share your toys With the other girls and boys, If you tell of Mab or Jack, Spiteful tales behind their back, If you tell a wicked cram When you've sneaked the cake or jam,

If you sulk for half a day 'Cause you can't get out to play, If you come home dripping wet, And to wipe your shoes forget, If you do not care a rap Where you throw your coat and cap,

If you hit, instead of pat, Any dog or any cat, If for what you want you cry, Santa Claus will pass you by!

BUT

If you're just as good as gold, Do exactly what you're told, If you say to sister Sue: "You can have my apple, too," If you lend your fairy-bike To Bob, Harry, Dick and Mike, If you never tell a fib Though you've sneaked jam-tarts ad lib, If you go to bed at night In the dark, and want no light, If you say: "Of course I will!" When you're told to sit quite still, If you give your nose relief With a nice clean handkerchief, If you smile, and don't recoil At the sight of castor-oil, If you're sweet, "for mummy's sake,"

When you have the tummy-ache, If you never howl or cry Even if your rabbits die, If you learn your "twice times two,"

Santa Claus will come to you!

Schoolgirls in Budapest must wear a uniform consisting of a long blue dress covering the knees, with a blouse fastening up to the neck.

## Homes of Odd Kinds, But no Santa Claus



Here we see one kind of home used by people in Europe during the late Stone Age. Their ancestors had lived in caves, but these folks made homes of their own. Like certain Indians of the western plains, they sometimes lived partly underground. Over a large hole in the ground a roof was built.



In parts of Greenland, the Eskimos have huts like the one pictured. A woman wearing trousers stands in front of the dwelling, which is partly underground, and which has stone and turf around it. Eskimos also build huts from snow blocks and, when they get it, from wood. When found by the whites, Eskimos were living in the late Stone Age.



The Tree Dwellers of New Guinea live high up in trees. The roofs of their huts are thatched with grass and reeds. For safety, the ladders are pulled up from the ground at night. I have not heard of any enemy cutting down a tree, but if that happened, it would be too bad for people in the hut! The Tree Dwellers form only a small part of the population of New Guinea.



# Helen Hayes To Broadcast Again

*Bambi Has Been Fine Traveling Companion For "Victoria Regina"*

By NORMAN SIEGEL

NEW YORK.

ONE COULD hardly say that Queen Victoria, small and decorous "mother" of an empire, had much in common with Bambi, the typically long-suffering radio mother who bravely faced every hardship conceived by man. Yet, Queen Victoria is having a sensational revival on the American stage because of Bambi.

Helen Hayes's portrayal of Bambi on the radio is responsible for Helen Hayes's theatrical success as Queen Victoria. Helen Hayes says so. At present the charming little princess royal of the American theatre is in the midst of a sensational road tour with her "Victoria Regina." And she points to radio as the reason.

Although Miss Hayes hasn't been in circulation on the airwaves since last March, her radio audience is still applauding her at the nation's theatrical box offices. Her play could have done \$75,000 in Cleveland last week, twice the capacity of the theatre. The same thing is true of practically every town in which she appears.

## MOVIES NOT AS HELPFUL

"The play could have done very well without the impetus it has received from my radio work," Miss Hayes says, "but the sell-outs, I'm sure, are due to the audience I developed on the air. In this respect radio is much more effective than the motion pictures. One of my films preceded my last road tour in 'Mary of Scotland,' but it didn't have nearly the effect that my radio series has had."

As a result, Miss Hayes is anxious to return to the kilocycles. However, she won't be able to do so in a regular series until next summer, as she will be touring in "Victoria Regina" until June 27. She may face the microphone for a single engagement in Chicago, where "Victoria Regina" is scheduled for a three or four-week stay. And when she does return to the air it will be in something better than the Bambi series, which Miss Hayes admits wasn't up to the standard of the things she does on the stage.

Miss Hayes would like to present the American girl in a series of broadcasts built around the works of such writers as Booth Tarkenton, Will Cather and Sinclair Lewis. She has in mind a 30-week series with a different story each week.

## LIKES BIOGRAPHICAL CHARACTERS

THE NOTED actress presented this idea to her studio last year, but it wasn't accepted because a serial was demanded. If she must do a serial on the radio next time, she would like it to be a biography. Anything but Bambi.

Miss Hayes contends that there is too much sameness in radio material today. All comics sound alike to her. The comedienettes all seem to be quarrelling or in love with band leaders. She believes this is due to the fact that the kilocycle impresarios are afraid to take a gamble. If one theme clicks, they all use it.

She also is going to demand that the story of her next programme be completely outlined and at least 10 episodes written before it goes on the air. The last time the script often was changed as late as five minutes before radio time. And although Miss Hayes has never seriously considered writing radio material, through necessity she found herself doing it on her last programme.

Convinced that people like to hear her on the radio, Miss Hayes hopes to repay the compliment when she returns to the air with a "Victoria Regina" or "What Every Woman Knows" of the kilocycles.

## RADIO SHORTS

Bill Hay, who has introduced Amos 'n' Andy since they first became radio favorites nine years ago, will continue to do so when they switch sponsors next month.

The Hal Roach studios are considering a kilocycle plunge that



Fred Allen moves his Town Hall from Hollywood back to New York next month.

would bring Ronald Colman, Roland Young, Alan Mowbray, Con-



While other stage stars moan that the radio is hurting the theatre by making people stay-at-homes, Helen Hayes, above, star of the hit, "Victoria Regina," believes her other work has increased attendance at her performances.

nie Bennett, Margaret Sullivan, Laurel and Hardy and members of "Our Gang" to the mike.

Listen for Raymond Paige's big chorus on one of Bing Crosby's coming broadcasts.

Ben Bernie has finally signed with his new sponsor and will be

on the air as a clown over the Columbia chain January 8.

A fan in Augusta, Me., shipped a barrel of lobsters to Rudy Vallee in Hollywood. But Rudy started back east before they arrived, so John and Elaine Barry more got the tasty gift.

## Yes, There Is a Santa Claus -- A Real Town; Fame Brings Troubles



Santa Claus, Ind., for years a sleepy little village near Evansville, never foresaw today's complications when it adopted its unique name. Here is the main street and the post office that handles all that mail for the Christmas saint.

## SANTA CLAUS.

CHRISTMAS is already within hailing distance, but peace on earth, goodwill toward men are not doing so well in Santa Claus.

This tiny village of 67 inhabitants, which became famous some seven years ago when its unique name was dug out of the postal guide, has learned the price of fame.

Controversies and at least one bitter legal battle involve the whole village. One man obtained leases on every inch of land in and about the village. Another then bought most of the same land. Their conflicting claims are before the courts.

A permanent injunction has halted work at Santa Claus Park, partially-completed as a sort of Northland Playpark and Toy Centre. Even the 40-ton granite statue of Santa Claus ("the only one in the world") stands on disputed ground.

And the villagers are disturbed by a portrait of Santa in the Candy Castle built by a well-known candy company. They say he looks like a cavalier and originally held a sword in his hand. Their protests forced the artist to paint out the sword and substitute a trumpet.

Peace and goodwill is at a premium at Santa Claus. Yet this was a peaceful, hot to say dormant village up to the time it was "rediscovered" in 1930. The original inhabitants who applied for a post office in the 90s didn't realize what trouble they were laying up for the future. They wanted to call it Santa Fe, but the Post Office Department informed them that there was already a Santa Fe in Indiana. So they had to think up something else, quick. Santa Claus was the next thought.

## PLANNED TO BUILD "TOYLAND"

It was in 1932 that the complications really began. Milton Harris, a former Vincennes, Ind., lawyer and salesman, leased from the owners every bit of the land in and about the unincorporated village. His plan was for a sort of "wonderland, toy town" with various commercial concessions taking advantage of the Santa Claus address.

Part of this he accomplished, with the result that the town now has a patchwork look, with jigsaw toy town under the guard of wooden soldiers, a Candy Castle, a Northland Park with totem poles, wishing wells, and elves' workshops. This development has been halted by the court wrangle.

That is where Carl A. Barrett, Chicago, head of the Illinois Auto Club, comes in. Barrett, insisting that he is only trying to free Santa Claus from commercial exploitation, bought up much of the land. But Harris's lease stood up in the lower courts despite all efforts of Barrett and some of the farmer-owners to break them. The future of Santa Claus now lies in the hands of the Indiana Appellate Court.

The commercial possibilities that may be at stake are indicated by reports that a big auto company tried to acquire exclusive use of the Santa Claus postmark for \$100,000 a year, and that a maker of soft drinks offered \$750,000 for a concession that would put Santa Claus back of his product.

It is Barrett who built the granite monument to Santa, but thus far the courts have upheld Harris's claim to the land on which it stands, and have forbidden even a postcard likeness of the statue to be sold in the town.

The painting of the militant Santa with the ex-sword was Harris's contribution. Emil Strauss, the painter, maintains that he modeled his work on Saint Nicholas, Bishop of Myra, who had quite a reputation as a soldier before canonization. It was Mrs. Harris who insisted that the sword come off in favor of a trumpet, in deference to local opinion and ancient tradition.



A 40-ton granite Santa Claus looks down on the town of Santa Claus, each the only one in the world, yet both have their legal troubles.

## "SANTA CLAUS" MOVES IN

Another attempt to make use of the magic name of Santa Claus was made by Jack Cannon, a motor worker of Dearborn, Mich. Cannon had his name legally changed to Santa Claus and set out for his Indiana namesake town. He rented Post Office Box No. 1, and prepared to claim all mail addressed to Santa Claus.

But Cannon (or Claus) could not find a room in town, and had to rent one just outside the village limits and take an R.F.D. address. Cannon's plan apparently was to arrange with department stores to answer for a fee their Santa Claus mail, supplying the stores with lists of the children's wants. Stores have reported this season again offers of this kind from "Santa Claus, Santa Claus, Ind."

There is also a remailing corporation which has secured a train of old railway cars for its headquarters. Their business is rewrapping and remailing under the magic Santa Claus postmark any packages sent it. A similar plan for selling postcards to be mailed from Santa Claus at Christmas time was tried out.

## ANNUAL DELUGE OF MAIL

For years Santa Claus drowned beside the ruffy highway. Then, suddenly, came fame. The post office began to be deluged with incoming mail addressed to Santa Claus. Mailings from the town, which had not exceeded 20,000 pieces a year, have risen to 60,000 a day during a two-month rush of people who want their gifts to go out postmarked "Santa Claus."

Postmaster General Farley has master-General Farley not only decided to keep the office, but ordered all letters addressed to Santa Claus to be sent here instead of the Dead Letter Office. Postmaster Oscar L. Phillips does the best he can to answer the letters with the help of his wife, two daughters, and three sons. Three or four extra clerks are put on for the Christmas season.

Yes, there is a Santa Claus. In fact there are several of him, several incorporated, certified, legally-existent, 22-carat Santa Clauses, all competing with each other to purvey Christmas spirit from the one and only Santa Claus, Ind.

## Shortage of Revelers Leaves Empty Tables In Small Clubs

*Competition Dims Lustre Of Night Life*

By GEORGE ROSS

NEW YORK.

THE abrupt demise of that mammoth cabaret, the lavish French Casino, is the first major casualty in Broadway's raging cafe war. The French Casino was the oldest, largest and most secure temple of night life on the Rialto.

It was—until the International Casino came along, with a behemoth interior, a costly floorshow and an investment of more than a half million dollars behind it. When the International opened, cafe men trembled and so did their auditors, as business fell off and customers patronized their formidable rival.

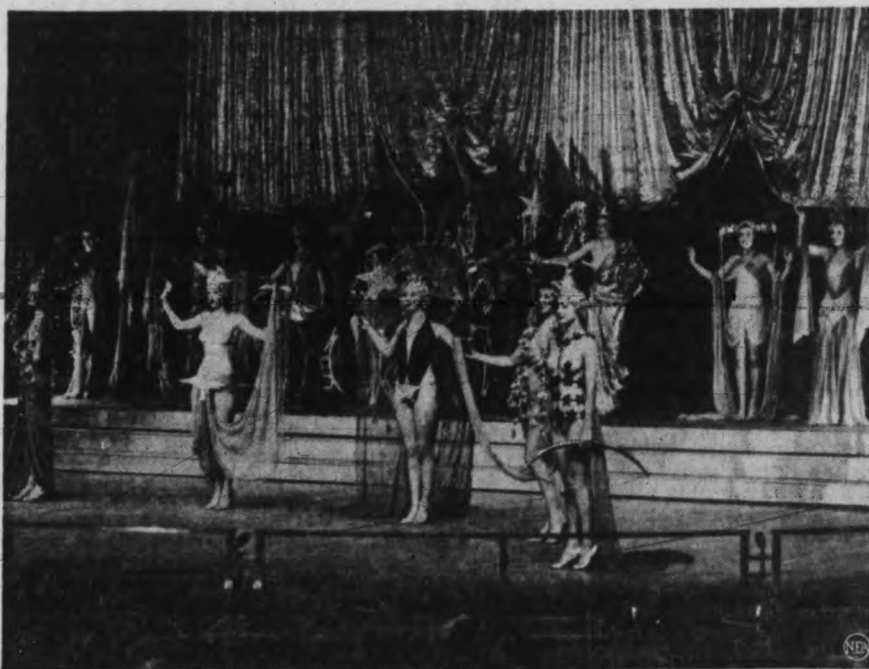
So the French Casino closed. Its sudden swoon can be wholly attributed to the International Casino's arrival. There is talk that another big table d'hôte place with a lavish floorshow will put up the shutters shortly and that many smaller night clubs only are awaiting the Christmas and New Year's hauls before they bar their doors.

Proving what? Well, this, for example: That, despite what you hear, New York doesn't have enough rounders or revelling visiting firemen to support the number of night clubs, big and small, that have sprung up. And that a surfeit of giant cabarets on Broadway, each with a seating capacity of more than a thousand, will spell doom for them all. For (this is sotto voce) even the International, with all its vastness and splendor, isn't minting coin, though it is pulling the crowds.

Anyway, the passing of the French Casino is giving the night club impresarios food for thought. Extravagant as they have been in the past, they no longer care to flood the midnight market with cabarets that look like the wide open spaces. Two—maybe three—on Broadway are enough.

## CHINESE FOOD

UNRELIABLE—these Chinese. As witness: The Chinese em-



Broadway greets its most lavish spectacle—the glamorous floorshow of the International Casino with its bevy of statuesque, scantily costumed beauties.

bassy in New York gave a luncheon the other day at Chow Mein Inn, an epicurean haunt in the Times Square district. There were 15 Chinese officials and some Americans and when the orders were taken, it was ascertained that most of the visitors had ordered ham and eggs while the few local boys had uniformly requested Cantonese chow mein.

A plethora of Chinese eating places, incidentally, has settled upon the town, and especially in the Times Square district. There are at least two dozen Oriental restaurants from one end of the Rialto to the other; and one of them is a cafeteria where naught but Oriental dishes are dispensed in serve-yourself style. The others vary in caste and quality but there are three that are frequented by the most demanding devotees of an Oriental Cuisine. These are the Canton Village, the House of Fu Manchou (the chef is more imaginative than the man who christened it), and Ruby Foo's, a branch of the Ruby Foo's in Boston, which is famed around the country.

Those Occidentals, though, who are exacting in their tastes still insist upon journeying to Mott and Pell Streets for their Chinese dinners. And Lum Fong's on Canal Street gets a great deal of the celebrity trade. This is one place where a truly gastronomical masterpiece must be ordered a day or two in advance.

## IT'S KOSHER

IT WOULD not be fair to mention Lum Fong's place without noting that its proprietor, an amiable Chinaman with the hospitable virtues of a boniface, runs it in partnership with Moe Levy, the Semitic clothier. They have been partners for years. And that it was at the instigation of the you-know-which-end-of-the-firm that the menu included, besides bird's nest soup, bamboo shoots and Pekin duck, an incongruous item called gefuente fish.

## PLAYFUL COMMENT

NOT LONG ago a show's press agent could take a wide bow for landing a notice about his

show in the editorial page. Such a scoop would be photographically "blown up" and displayed prominently in the lobby of the theatre.

Recently, however, a tabloid devoted two full columns to "Susan and God" and then to "Many Mansions." "I'd Rather Be Right," too, received a generous commendation in the editorial page of another paper of tabloid size.

## PARAGLAUGHS

FROM THE Gagsters: Alice Frost's simile: As clever as the party of the second part in a two-line joke.

Lots of comedians are quick to catch on, Jack Fulton laments, but don't know when to let go.

Broadway's road to fame, Carl Rove insists, is all pull and a yard wide.

Bess Johnson tells of the crooner who has just bought a new car with reversible headlights.

Al Jolson knows a Hollywood gold digger who got her first love letter from a married star and is undecided whether to frame it or him.





# Farm and Garden



## VICTORIA EATS 10,000 TURKEYS

Birds Have Lost Five Pounds in 10 Years But Still As Plump As Ever

By A.L.P.S.

THE turkey has suffered from the strain of modern living. To meet the requirements of smaller families, it has had to reduce. Yet, at the same time, it has had to remain plump.

Impossible! Well, take a look at the turkeys in any store. Fine looking, fat birds, every one of them, yet they are all five pounds lighter than they were ten years ago.

Christmas 1937, and the meat markets are full of turkeys of all sizes—only the most popular sizes are between 8 and 18 pounds, and the average size is about 12 pounds.

Christmas 1927, and the meat markets were full of turkeys of all sizes—only the most popular sizes were between 10 and 23 pounds, and the average size was about 17 pounds.

This is the testimony of men who have dealt in turkeys all their lives. This has been a problem which breeders have had to meet.

Though the public demands smaller turkeys, it demands turkeys all the same. There is no indication there has been any decrease in turkey consumption during the last decade.

### 120,000 POUNDS

William Hagger of the Dominion Department of Agriculture estimated that Victorians eat about 120,000 pounds of turkey every year. This means two pounds for every man, woman and child in the city, though the average Christmas meal would be much higher.

No wonder the turkey lasts till New Year. Of the 10,000 birds which the capital city consumes, about half of them are raised on the island and about half imported from Alberta. Most of the turkey raising is not done in the immediate vicinity of Victoria but around Duncan, Chemainus, Ladysmith and Wellington.

## Many Christmas Gifts Originate In Plants

SO HALLOWED and so gracious is the time that the last month of the year must always be associated with the season of goodwill, and that precious thing called home; the all-powerful loadstone which draws the wanderer's heart from the farther end of the earth.

It is the spirit of Christmas, Saint Nicholas or Santa Claus that fills the homes of all with good things; both spiritual and material.

Most Christmas presents owe their existence to plants. Among these will be the indispensable box of candy composed mostly of sweets made with sugar and flavored with materials of vegetable origin, such as chocolate.

Sugar may be extracted from the sugar cane (one of the grasses), from fruit, from the maple tree or from beetroots.

Chocolate is a preparation of the seeds of the cacao tree, which only grows in hot countries such as tropical America and the West Indies. It is interesting to know that its first botanical name, "Theobroma," means "Food for the Gods."

Another vegetable flavoring for candy is the coconut, which grows on a great palm tree. It is no relation to the chocolate-cacao, but belongs to the same family as the date, which also finds a place in the Christmas candy box.

The coconut palm is one of the wonders of the world, because every part of it is said to be useful to man, either to clothe, feed or shelter him. The nut furnishes milk, the young green leaves are eaten like cabbage. A wine is made from liquid produced by the flowers. The sap supplies sugar. Vessels and utensils are made out of the nut shells. The

Colonel H. D. McLaughlin, Duncan, is the largest breeder of turkeys on the island. He is said to have raised well over 1,000 birds this year.

Mrs. George Weller, Sooke, who is one of the best-known turkey breeders on the island, had only a few birds this year. Due to high feed prices she reduced her flock from 500 or 600 to about 175.

The average flock in the farming districts around Victoria is about 50 or 60. One of the most interesting of these is that of Mrs. Augustus B. Berger, Colwood.

### CITY WOMAN

A woman who had never lived on a farm, Mrs. Berger came to the island from Denver, Colorado. More to keep busy than anything else, she bought a few White Hollands from Mrs. Weller.

But she got so enthusiastic about it that her house was soon full of every kind of pamphlet and book on turkeys. Mrs. Weller helped her a lot, and this year she sold over 60 birds which the buyer told her were equal to the best.

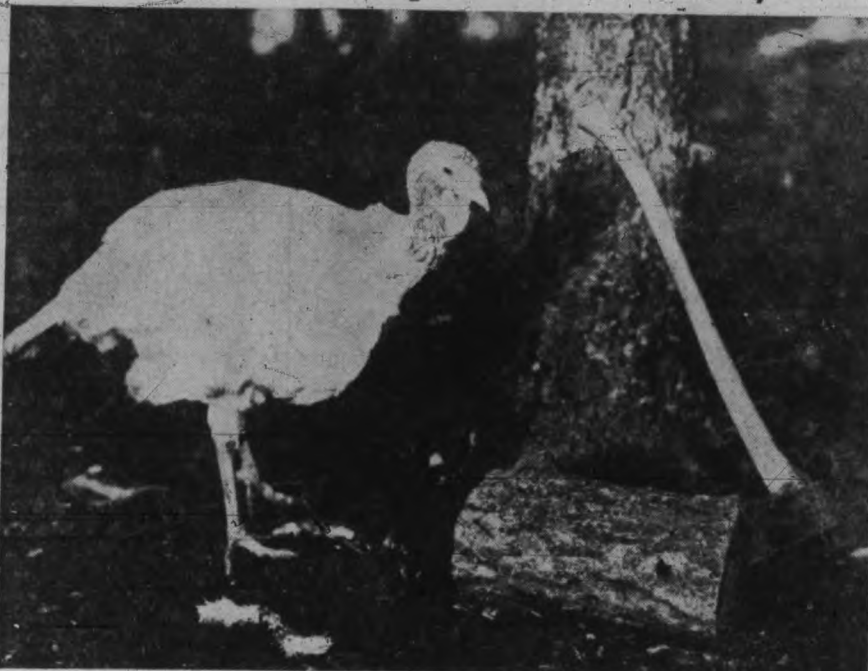
"People sometimes complain about the price of turkeys, but they are really not expensive compared with the amount of looking after they take," Mrs. Berger said.

Turkeys are finicky things to raise, particularly when they are young. They are altogether different from other poultry and chicken breeders have found that when they start to raise turkeys.

The most popular breed of turkeys is the Bronze. The flat boat-shaped breast of the White Holland makes it a good breed but its size has been against it. During the last few years, however, breeders have been able to bring it down to a popular weight.

The price for turkeys opened about 2 cents higher this year, according to Mr. Hagger.

## Gobbler Contemplates Fate of Turkeys



Ah, sweet mystery of life, at last I've found thee. But the gobbler did not appear to be in a singing or even a gobbling mood when he came across this woodsman's axe. When the picture was taken he wasn't quite sure whether he would meet the usual turkey fate. Too many of his companions had mysteriously disappeared during the last few days. No wonder he's a bit pale around the crest. Poor brother, poor sister, butchered to make a Christmas holiday. And this monstrous weapon, this iniquitous instrument should end so many beautiful turkey lives. In case anyone should have a touch of conscience over this serious-looking White Holland turkey, it must be admitted that he is alive and well. He is kept for breeding purposes on the farm of Mrs. Augustus Berger, Colwood.

## B.C. Seed Fair Results Show 37 Prizes Won Here

A REVIEW of the results of the British Columbia Seed and Root Fair which was held recently in Vancouver, shows island farmers took 19 first prizes and a total of 37 prizes.

Island winners were spread over many classes including garden peas, beans, sweet peas, white spring wheat, durum wheat, soft red winter wheat, fall rye, barley, field peas, grass, oats, mangolds, cauliflower, potatoes and sheaves.

The largest individual winner for the island was the veteran competitor at seed fairs, Bert Young who operates the Dominion Illustration Station at Koksilah. He scored three firsts, three seconds, a third and a fourth. His first places were in wheat sheaves, mangolds and oats.

W. D. Mitchell, Keating, took two firsts, a second and a third. His first places were in field peas and soft red winter wheat. J. E. Delorme, Cobble Hill, also took two firsts, a second and a third. His firsts were in garden peas, and broad beans.

Two firsts, a second and a third seem to be popular, for the Sun Seed Company of Keating scored that number. Its firsts were in grass seed and mangolds.

The Miller Ranch at Rocky Point took two firsts and a second place. Their firsts were in barley and field peas. James Turner, who is better known for his winnings in livestock than in seed, won the durum wheat class and the fall rye class.

Other island winners and the prizes they won are as follows: Mrs. A. Jack, 2; Charles R. Sing, Cobble Hill, 1 in white spring wheat; Elite Seed Company, 1 in cauliflower; William Hutchison, Ladysmith, 1 in potatoes; D. J. Butler, Comox, 2; and J. H. Aven, Courtenay, 3.

Island young farmers swept one of the boys' and girls' classes at the fair. In the best collection of correctly named flower and vegetable seeds, B. Warrender, Sidney, was first; A. Duval, Prospect Lake, second; and G. Doney, Saanichton, third.

## Albertan Claims Oldest Chickens

Who owns the oldest hen in Canada? W. Northwood of Staveley, Alta., thinks he can put in a claim.

At the Calgary District Poultry Show Mr. Northwood exhibited two White Wyandottes 21 and 22 years of age. They were first exhibited at a show here in 1917.

## Garden Hints For This Week

Coal ashes placed around the crown of delphiniums and herbaceous plants will keep away frost and slugs.

When building a rock garden it is most important to have good drainage.

Violas may still be lifted and divided, planting only small pieces.

When digging a border edged with grass, cut the edge first with a spade or edging tool, otherwise the sod will be ruined.

The best position for the alpine garden is an open one, where shade is not cast by buildings or trees and where roots will not rob the soil of its virtue.

## Yorkshire Pig Due to Weavers

In the chapter "The Humble Pig" in "Great Farmers," a book recently published, the authors, Prof. J. A. Scott Watson and May Elliott Hobbs, state: "The earliest improvers were not farmers, but a group of weavers in Yorkshire, who took pig-keeping as a useful hobby, and applied to it all the enthusiasm of the financier."

"It was Joseph Tuley, a weaver of Keighley, who exhibited a pig of the improved type at the Royal Show at Windsor in 1851 and attracted general attention to the improved Yorkshire breed. It was Tuley who first brought the Yorkshire pig to fame, and provided the chief means to supply the modern breakfast table with the one-half of its standard dish."

## Rooster Saved Life Says Pilot

Captain T. S. Guns, retired, Pacific Coast pilot, credits a rooster with saving his life once in Victoria.

Addressing the recent annual meeting of the British Columbia Poultry Association in Vancouver, Captain Guns told how he was walking back to his ship one night with a rooster under his arm.

It was foggy, and suddenly out of the murk a man appeared and hit him on the head with a belying pin. Dazed, he fell to the ground, but his rooster made such a noise that he frightened the thug away.

From the manner in which he was attacked, Captain Guns felt sure he would have been robbed and murdered if it had not been for the chicken.

## Three New Pests Found Attacking Crops on Island

THE farmer can be pardoned for a mild expletive when he hears of a new plant pest.

Pathologists and entomologists seem to take a fiendish delight in announcing the discovery of some new fly or fungus or virus.

As a matter of fact most of them are not new at all but are among the island's oldest inhabitants.

The 10-lined June bug has been flitting around these parts, its larvae feeding on the odd strawberry plant, for years, and no one paid any notice. But when the 10-lined June bug began to eat up a third of a plantation at a time, strawberry growers became incensed and got in touch with William Downes, Dominion Entomologist.

It is the same with the fire tussock moth and the spotted buff gem moth. They are new pests on the island but not new insects, Mr. Downes says.

For several years, the entomologist says the June bugs have been increasing. The larvae feed on the roots of strawberries and also attack nursery stock. Mr. Downes anticipates research work on this bug next year.

The fire tree tussock moth feeds on the Douglas fir. Some years ago it defoliated a whole forest in the Okanagan Valley. This is its first outbreak on the island but the entomologist does not think the moth will do much damage.

The spotted buff gem moth attacks seed pods particularly those of the antirrhinum (snapdragon). A few years before this pest was quite a rarity covered by butterfly collectors. The sudden outbreak, Mr. Downes believes is due to the natural control lacking.

## Prairie Honey Best in Empire

Saskatchewan honey won all the prizes in both clear and granulated classes in the Dominion section at the Imperial Fruit Show recently held at Birmingham, England.

Competitors included both New Zealand and Australia. The samples were said to be excellent, with the score card showing only a point or so below full marks. Special mention was made of the attractiveness of the container, labeling, color and flavor of the exhibit.

Arrangements have since been made to set up the Saskatchewan honey exhibit as a window display in a London, England, store.

## CANADA CHEESE BEST IN WORLD

Proves Itself in Export Market, Review of Dairying Industry Shows

WITH an income for 1937 of approximately \$215,000,000, the dairy industry—one of the Dominion's biggest—has enjoyed its most prosperous year since the depression.

Production for 1936 brought \$208,200,000. In the year bountiful 1929, when cheese and butter were high, the dairy industry of Canada earned \$291,700,000, according to the Dominion Bureau of Statistics.

The count of the dairy cattle in Canada, including animals from two years old and up, made in June for the bureau of statistics, has been compiled and shows 3,940,500 head as compared with 3,874,000 in 1936 and 3,835,000 in 1935.

Prices of dairy cattle have advanced from 15 to 20 per cent over last year, according to figures of the livestock branch of the Department of Agriculture. This advance is confined to the better class of cattle. The poorer grades have not enhanced as much. The value of Canada's milk cow population in 1936 was placed at \$143,015,000 and with the present higher prices and increase in the number of cows this year it will be around \$165,000,000.

Total milk production this year will be approximately 16,900,000,000 pounds, or 200,000,000 pounds more than last year and 1,000,000,000 more than in 1932.

A recent announcement by J. F. Singleton, dairy and cold storage commissioner, showed that the total production of cheese for 10 months in 1937 was 121,321,591 pounds, or 10.4 per cent higher than last year. Butter production was 221,328,932, a reduction from the year before of 1.5 per cent.

The average price of cheese this year was 7.1 per cent higher than last year and the average price of first grade pasteurized butter 12.5 per cent higher, based on Montreal prices for 10 months. Although butter prices made greater advances than cheese, it was still more profitable to turn milk into cheese than into butter.

An important feature of dairy industry is the growing demand for Canadian milk cows in other countries. United States bought

12,700 dairy cows in Canada during the 11 months of this year, about the same as last year, and the movement to Great Britain although small, perhaps 1,000 altogether, bears promise of important development.

Canadian cheese commands the highest price of any cheese imported into the United Kingdom, whereas Canadian butter sells at considerable discount under the best. Accordingly, the most satisfactory distribution of the milk between these two products would be to make butter sufficient to supply the domestic demand and the exportable surplus go forward in the form of cheese. It is very difficult, however, to keep the proper balance between the two commodities when such huge quantities are involved.

Although cheese is one of the outstanding products that gives Canada favorable advertising in the world markets, only about 7 per cent of the milk supply in this country is made into cheese. Almost 50 per cent is made into butter and 41.5 per cent is consumed as milk. Evaporated milk and similar products takes roughly 1.2 per cent of all the milk, and ice cream around .7 per cent.

A. C. Fraser, manager and secretary of the National Dairy Council, has estimated that 316,000 farmers and 35,000 other employees gain livelihoods from the dairy industry and with their dependents represent 17 per cent of the nation's population.

There was a proposal recently that Canada follow the example of other countries and pack its cheese in crates instead of the well-known round boxes in which for decades the Canadian product has been shipped. One argument in favor of crates was that cheese boxes were often broken during shipment.

The Dominion Department of Agriculture has decided to stick to the boxes, claiming overseas buyers have become so accustomed to them as containing a Canadian product and the world's best at that, it would be a mistake to change. However, an extensive study is being made by the research council to get specifications which will produce stronger boxes.

## More Flowering Trees For Victoria Gardens

Editor's Note: The list of flowering trees and shrubs which Mr. Warren compiled with a view to planting on the city boulevards is concluded below. Last week the parks superintendent enumerated the best flowering cherries.

DOGWOOD, which is a native flowering tree does not always do well on boulevards, according to W. H. Warren, City Parks Superintendent, because it is essentially an inhabitant of the woodland.

Arbutus, another native tree which has been much advocated for boulevards, is hardly suited for anything but wide roads because of its size.

Mr. Warren continues with his selected list of flowering trees which have been specially recommended to him by experts all over the world as suitable for boulevard and garden use under Victoria's climatic conditions.

The Judas tree with its pealike flowers is one of the loveliest of the purple flowering types. The Washington Thorn is one of those that color well in the fall. It has also attractive scarlet flowers and fruit which persist all winter. Similar to the Washington is the tansy leafed thorn.

There are two red chestnuts, Brottii and plantierensis, which do not grow too large and have becoming red flowers without any fruit.

Marie's Ash is a small tree of 15 to 20 feet tall with creamy white flowers which is recommended by the Royal Horti-

cultural Society as the most ornamental of all flowering ashes.

Laburnum Vossii is a variety which the city obtained from the University of British Columbia which has proved to be the most vigorous of the laburnums. The flowers hang in longer racemes and do not go to seed.

Both Kew Gardens, London, England, and the Royal Horticultural Society recommend Japanese varieties of kobus and salicifolia for boulevards.

There are about a dozen varieties of flowering crab trees which are recommended for Victoria. The best of these are floribunda, Eleyi, Aldenhamensis, Lemoinei, Scheideckeri, Spectabilis, Theliferia, Purpurea and Bechtell's crab. Flowering crab trees are specially recommended for boulevard work because of their beautiful flowers of white, pink and wine shades, and their attractive fruit.

Some of them have purple leaves. However trees with purple leaves have to be used carefully otherwise they have a sombre effect.

Other trees which are recommended include flowering almonds and some Japanese varieties of magnolia.

Among a few flowering shrubs which Mr. Warren says should be used with flowering trees are the dwarf buckeye; the deutzias, low growing with white flowers; the kolquitzia or beauty bush; spiraea; low growing shrubby crabapples, and laurustinus.



# Look Your Best At Holiday Parties

## Mincing No Words About Desserts



Buy your rich plum pudding from your baker or grocer and serve it steaming hot with a home-made brandy sauce or else a special Christmas hard sauce, if you like to keep Christmas traditions.

By MRS. GAYNOR MADDOX

HERE'S a recipe in the true Christmas spirit. The chef of a famous restaurant, noted for its mincemeat pies, gave it to me even though he wants to sell all the pies he can.

### Mincemeat Pie

One chopped apple,  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup seeded raisins, chopped;  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup currants,  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup butter, 1 tablespoon molasses, 1 tablespoon boiled cider, 1 cup sugar, 1 teaspoon cinnamon,  $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon powdered cloves,  $\frac{1}{2}$  nutmeg, grated; 1 teaspoon salt, 1 cup chopped cooked meat,  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup brandy, stock or canned consommé to moisten.

Mix all ingredients except the meat, and simmer an hour. Add meat and cook 15 minutes.

Prepare a tender pie crust, as follows:

One and one-half cups pastry flour,  $\frac{1}{4}$  teaspoon salt,  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup lard or other shortening, ice water.

Mix salt with flour. Reserve 2 tablespoons lard. With finger tips, case knife or pastry mixer, blend rest of lard with flour, then moisten dough with ice water. Place on floured board. Pat lightly. Roll out, again rolling gently.

Line a pie plate with  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the pie crust, rolled to  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch thickness. Fill with mincemeat, then fold other half of the pie crust, also rolled to  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch thickness, over the top of pie. Press edges together with fork dipped in water. Then trim edges. Prick top crust with fork to permit escape of steam. Brush lightly with milk or egg white if glaze is desired.

If you buy your plum pudding ready to heat, as so many wise housewives do these days, you may want a brandy sauce to serve with it.

### Brandy Sauce

(For 10 portions plum pudding)

One and three-quarter cups granulated sugar,  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup lemon juice, 2 cups boiling water,  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup flour,  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup butter, pinch salt, 6 tablespoons brandy.

Mix sugar, flour and salt together. Rub in butter. Mix well

with lemon juice and boiling water. Put on stove and boil for 3 minutes. Remove and add brandy.

After all, despite the traditions of plum pudding and mince pie, there is a lot to be said in favor of vanilla ice cream, and hot black cherries for Christmas gala dinner. Called Cherries Jubilee, this remarkable recipe is his Christmas gift to us hungry lesser mortals from the world-famous chef of a great New York hotel.

Cherries Jubilee is made with fresh black cherries, but jumbo canned black cherries can be used with delicious results, too. Turn the cherries into a chafing dish with a very little finely crushed tapioca to thicken the syrup and still leave it clear and colorful. Just before serving, add 2 or more tablespoons of the finest sherry. Then comes the dramatic moment. Pour this regal concoction over slices of rich vanilla ice cream placed in shallow bowls of clear glass. Serve at once.

How do you make hard sauce? That's a truly Christmas question and the answer is in the same spirit.

### Christmas Hard Sauce

One-half cup butter, 1 cup brown sugar, 3 tablespoons brandy.

Cream butter and sugar until as smooth as thick cream. Add brandy bit by bit. Do not under any circumstances add all the brandy at once. Serve in large spoonfuls atop each hot serving of flaming plum pudding.

### Christmas Tree Fudge

One cup brown sugar, 1 cup white sugar,  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup yellow corn syrup,  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup water, 2 egg whites, 1 teaspoon vanilla, 1-3 cup candied cherries, 1-3 cup pitted dates, 1-3 cup pecan nuts.

Cook sugar, syrup and water until it becomes brittle and breaks easily in the hand when dropped into cold water. Remove syrup from fire. Beat egg whites until absolutely stiff and dry. Pour syrup over egg whites a little at a time, beating mixture all the time. Add vanilla when nearly stiff, then add the cut-up cherries, dates and nuts. When mixture is stiff, pour on a greased plate and cut in squares.

## Opulent New Gowns Make Success Easy

By MARIAN YOUNG

CHRISTMAS bells ringing. The final touch of perfume across your throat... the last smoothing pat on the brand new party dress... you're off to a holiday party—and you've never looked prettier in your life.

If you haven't bought a new of mental picture to conjure up before you start shopping for it. You never look your best in a gown you buy too hurriedly or when your disposition is not exactly friendly toward the world. Get in a lovely mood before you step into the evening dress department; don't say, "I'll take it" unless it is a gown you love.

### METALLIC FABRICS STAR

You can blossom forth in something very bouffant—a wonderful idea if your hips aren't all they should be this season. Also a nice idea if you are young and gay or if you have been wearing sheath-like creations for several seasons. A good idea anyway. What could be more flattering than a bouffant model of navy silk marquisette with halter neckline and a billowing skirt studded with gold daisies which have colored stone centres? One might wear a head-dress with coronet of tiny navy dress with coronet of tiny navy dress and a veil with this.

Newest of all the bouffant types are those with longer waistlines. The bodices of these mold hips as well as waist, and their full skirts are attached well below the normal hipline. One of red seer-

A bouffant gown of navy silk marquisette would put anyone into the right mood for a holiday party. The skirt is studded with gold daisies, which have colored stone centres.



## Bouffant Modes Come To Aid of Hippy Girl

sucker silk taffeta has a bra top and corsage of matching flowers across the bosom.

It is a season of opulence, as you no doubt suspect by now. Metallic fabrics are highlighted, luxurious silks are handsomer than ever, little jackets sparkle like jewels atop suavely-cut dresses, jewels glitter galore. One strives for the ladylike, grownup look and eschews ingenuitous effects.

A tulle veil banded with shining sequins, atop a smooth pompadour coiffure; a gold sequin bird in the hair of a smart matron who wore long kid gloves, a long diamond pendant on a slender diamond necklace, a flower clip of rubies, diamonds and emeralds, an enormous rhinestone clip, worn at the point of a deep V neckline.

### SPARKLING WRAPS, TOO

The sparkling note distinguishes some of the most flattering wraps, too. A full-length coat of rich brown duvetyn has a neat Johnny collar and patch pockets of copper-colored sequins. A white velvet one, glamorous enough for the princess in your favorite fairy tale, has a collar of gold kidskin. You could wear short gold kid gloves with this.

You should look at short gloves with pale cream suede palms and sequin backs. And at fuzzy mittens to add a note of inconsistency to your evening ensemble. As for shoes, those of metal brocades are in tune with the sparkling times. And you'll love sophisticated ones of black jersey, the material draped and swathed about the foot.

The other Christmas party dress is of red seersucker silk taffeta, with long waistline and bouffant skirt.

# Spreading Cheer Through Guests

CHRISTMAS dinner is a family

affair, but Christmas night supper should be for both the family and your friends. Arrange a table somewhere near the Christmas tree and when the guests arrive, let them help themselves to a light supper arranged there for their pleasure. Keep it simple. Have only one or two dishes. There can be a large coffee and ready to serve strong, clear, hot coffee, or a punch bowl filled with Yuletide greeting, or a bowl of fruit punch. The two recipes given below are for large, rather handsome Christmas night specialties.

### Cranberry Cake

(Serves 12 Christmas night dropper-inners)

Six cups cleaned raw cranberries, 2 cups water, 12 pitted dates, sliced fine, 10 figs cubed,  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup coarsely chopped pistachio nuts,  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup chopped blanched almonds, 1-3 cups granulated sugar, 1 large sponge cake, 1 cup whipped cream,  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup pulverized peppermint candy.

Cook cranberries very slowly in water until skin bursts. Then drain and force through a coarse sieve. Place pulp in saucepan, add dates, figs and nuts. Cover and simmer for five minutes. Remove saucepan from heat, add sugar and stir until dissolved.



A de luxe turkey and ham mousse for the Christmas night supper under the lighted Christmas tree. It is made with gelatin, vegetable stock, clear chicken broth, minced ham and minced turkey—all simple ingredients. With a little care, you can produce this regal dish in your own kitchen and amaze your friends with your culinary skill.

Line a deep square freeze-proof dish with slices of sponge cake  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch thick. Cover with cranberry mixture. Cover with more slices of sponge cake, then more cranberry mixture. Continue these rows, finishing off with the sponge cake. Set in refrigerator

overnight. Unmold on large dish and garnish with whipped cream sprinkled with the peppermint candy. Serve this with hot coffee.

Of course, a supper of small sandwiches, fruit cake and coffee or punch is perfect for the Christmas night get-together. Perhaps,

however, if you want something even more festive. Then try this Mousse of Turkey.

### Turkey and Ham Mousse

(Serves 12)

For the loaf part: 1 package lemon-flavored gelatin, 1 cup boiling clear vegetable stock, 1 cup

cold clear vegetable stock, sliced olives.

For the mousse part: 1 cup boiling chicken stock, 1 package lemon-flavored gelatin, 1 cup cold chicken stock, 1 cup heavy cream, 1 cup cold minced turkey, 1 cup cold minced ham, cayenne, salt and pepper.

To make loaf, dissolve gelatin in boiling stock, then add cold stock. Cool and pour into a mold that has first been dipped in cold water. Set in refrigerator until a film of the jelly forms on bottom and around sides of mold, then pour out remaining soft gelatin. Decorate inside of gelatin coating with slices of green and ripe olives.

To make the mousse, dissolve lemon gelatin in boiling chicken stock, then add cold stock and cool until mixture thickens slightly. Season. Whip cream, then fold into slightly thickened gelatin mixture. Divide the gelatin mixture in half. To one half, add the cold minced turkey, to the other half, add the cold minced ham. Pour the ham mixture into the coated mold. When it begins to harden, add the turkey mixture. Place in refrigerator until chilled firm, then unmold. Decorate with pimento cheese molded into small fruit with parsley leaves, tiny stuffed tomatoes, deviled eggs and big prunes stuffed with candied pineapple and nuts.

## Sunday Morning Breakfast

"Mother, I saw Jane Kennedy at the luncheon yesterday," remarked the daughter of the family at Sunday morning breakfast. "Is that so?" said Mother. "Jane is such a nice girl. It's too bad she never married. She would have made some man a good wife."

"She never had a show for her white alley," said Lucy. "Why do you say that?" demanded Father. "Jane is a fine

woman and a splendid example to the younger generations."

"Quite right," replied his daughter, "but don't you realize that she is a part of the lost battalion?"

"The what?"

"That generation of women who missed fire."

"A theory of my own!" laughed Lucy. "I have never sent out 'What on earth are you talking about?'"

questionnaires, gathered statistics, or anything of the sort, but as far as I can see, we not only lost a lot of men during the late war, but we completely lost a generation of women.

"When the boys rallied around the flag and marched off to battle to end all the wars which ever were to threaten, they walked out on a lot of nice jobs. There was much work to be done, and there were many, many more jobs than there were men left to fill them.

"A lot of women who didn't really have to work, gave up their leisure without a backward glance and grabbed the control levers of elevators, the handles of adding machines, the steering wheels of taxicabs, the bending of pretzels in the pretzel factories and the thousand and one other

jobs which men had always done.

"Then, when Johnnie came marching home again, that generation of women didn't want to go back to swinging skillets and dust mops. They liked their jobs, they liked the independence given them by a weekly pay envelope, and they liked the freedom from all parental domination and restraint which their independent income gave them.

"Figuratively speaking, they dumbed their noses at the returned heroes and refused to give them back their jobs, or to marry them either. They stayed put with such a vengeance that those men had to turn to a younger generation to find themselves sweethearts and wives. "Where girls of 20 used to

marry boys of 25, they were now able to find unmarried men of 35 who had it all over the younger men. The older men were better set in the business world, and they had the sophistication which has ever been the ideal of young women.

"This lost battalion of girls who dropped completely out of the matrimonial market, changed the marriage age of men by 10 years. Girls of 20 continued to marry men of 35, and they will always do so. And the younger men are willing to wait. They are busy fighting their own private financial battles. Girls used to catch them, younger and marry them before they had enough worldly experience to escape. Nowadays they no longer hunt them when they are broilers, but marry the old roosters who not only crow a

bit, but have won the spurs with which to back up their crowing.

"Of course, a lot of those old girls, like Jane, have realized their mistake, just as a lot of the boys of that generation learned their mistake when they went to Europe to fight someone else's battles. But changing their minds about matrimony didn't do much good! The men their age had been attracted to the pullets of the next generation.

"That lost generation of women has changed everything. They were compensated for to a degree by the casualties during the war, but not enough to account for a whole generation of females who were so intrigued with financial independence that they scorned marriage until, like Jane, they were left stranded on the matrimonial mud banks with the tide of marriage gone out.

"There! I thought that out all by myself, and that's what I call some swiftness early morning thinking!"

"Yeah, you thought that out after you fell so hard for Tom Livingston. He is at least 15 years older than you!" said her brother wisely.

"And 15 times as well fixed in this world as you are!" retorted his sister.

"Why, he's actually got grey in his hair!"

"Umhu. Isn't it romantic?"

"Romantic?" snorted Fred. "I bet he's rheumatic!"

"Children!" cautioned Mother. "Let's wait a couple of weeks before we argue about this any more. By that time, probably both of you will have changed your minds."





## Merriman Talks

Dictator Davies ropes him into a Christmas cheer radio drive, and he finds it the quickest and most effective way to lose a lot of friends. Keeping Christmas was once a crime

AS IT will be Christmas Day tomorrow, it is interesting to recall that keeping Christmas was once a crime. The Puritans were responsible for the break in the sequence of hundreds of years of Christmas feasts and at one time the plum pudding, plum porridge and currant loaves which used to form part of the Christmas feasts were denounced by the wearers of the steeple-crowned hats and impounded at sight.

The historian Macaulay is quoted. He related how the Long Parliament gave orders, in 1644, that December 25 should be strictly observed as a fast, and that all men should pass it in humbly bemoaning the great national sin which they and their fathers had so often committed on that day by romping under the mistletoe, eating boar's head and drinking ale flavoured with roasted apples.

### NO FEASTING

Carol singing was suppressed. Naturally the community did not appreciate these hard and fast rules. Many a turkey was surreptitiously killed and many a plum pudding quietly boiled. But woe betide the unfortunate offender against the act were he luckless enough to be discovered. Men, women and children were imprisoned for the crime of Christmasing.

### HOW TO LOSE FRIENDS

I would like to seize the opportunity at this time of extending Christmas greetings to all readers of this column and any friends I may have left after being let into a job which turned out to be the quickest way to lose them.

Thanks to, or rather because of that indefatigable worker for charity, Dictator W. H. Davies, I may be struck off the list of a number of friends this year, and I am afraid I shall have to strike him off my list, too.



He has a habit of nonchalantly letting a man in for unexpected tasks and he puts it in such a way that you feel you are doing a shabby trick, or at least failing in your duty as a citizen, if you refuse.

I got a phone call from him at 7 o'clock one night during the Christmas season.

"You will be down at the Chamber of Commerce a little before 8 tonight, won't you, Tom?" he said.

"What for, Bill?"

"The microphone."

"What microphone?"

"Christmas Cheer broadcast."

"What?"

"The Christmas Cheer broadcast. You are announcing with George MacDonald."

The first I had heard of it—but what did that matter to him.

Microphone fright, radio jitters, an absolute ignorance of how it was done, didn't mean a thing to him as long as someone else was getting it.

But the thought that George was also there relieved the tension, and when George with his years of experience as a broadcaster and his quick-witted versatility opened the programme of broadcasting like a Graham MacNamee I relaxed.

It seemed easy to chip in once in a while, so in an experimental way I managed to get over a message as to where subscriptions could be left.

After all, I thought, this isn't too bad.

### "IT'S MONEY WE WANT"

All you have to do," said Dictator Davies, "is to keep telling the people over the air what the appeal is for."

"Bring dollars in regardless of everything."

"If any entertainer goes over two minutes give 'em the gong and tell the people over the air it's money we want."

"No money, no entertainment."

"Don't let anybody sing too long, play too long or do anything too long. Interrupt them."

"Tell them what the appeal's for. Bring dollars in. It's money we want."

"If you get request numbers, put 'em on right away regardless of everything, because if people don't get their requests half of them don't send the money in."



### A NICE JOB

A nice way to make friends. Give them the gong. Cut them off.

Considerate people who have gone to a lot of trouble to arrange fine programmes naturally like being interrupted in the middle of their numbers.

Programme organizers who perhaps have a beautiful soprano singer on their list are naturally delighted when she gets crowded off the programme because somebody has offered \$10 for some barber shop harmony.

It all goes to create good feeling.

The soprano singer, you can imagine, is naturally delighted.

The programme organizer who has re-

quested her to appear of course is thrilled. If he had a gun he would probably shoot both announcers on the spot.

I am sure the only reason Stan James didn't shoot us when he brought a very fine Welsh concert party down, and had to delay a number while 20 worth of requests of the "no response no pay type" were put over the air, was because he didn't have a gun with him.

I don't blame him.

Having let you in for announcing you felt unfitted to do, the Dictator also informs you, as a matter of course and without warning, you have to help organize programmes. It means you have to call on your friends and your friends' friends to sing over the radio, which they don't want to do, to make their friends pay out money they don't want to part with.

I had to rope Albert Jones in this way to sing on the air, another old friend I have known for 20 years. He was sportsman enough to do it, and recaptured some of the singing ability of his chorister days to sing "Home on the Range," but he cuts me dead on the street now.

And the worst of it, after rounding up talent and asking them to come down, the Dictator behind the scenes sees nothing but the request numbers—bringing in dollars.

You report to the Dictator—behind the scenes that several very talented artists are here and haven't appeared on the programme. It's not very considerate when they have been generous enough to come down and sing.

"Can't help it," he says. "You birds are there to raise money. Here's a \$10 request for 'Oh, It's a Lovely War.' No song, no money. We've gotta get the money. Go and put it on, right away."

"Who's going to sing it, Bill?"

"What do I care who sings it. Tell George to sing it. If he sings like he sang 'Wagon Wheels' the audience won't know what song it is anyway."

"But George says he won't sing any more."

"Sing it yourself then," snarls the Dictator. "No, better still. There's Tom Obee, Stan James and George Evans up there—all veterans. Make them sing it. Good heavens, man, do I have to hold your hand and guide you around. Can't you think for yourself?"

So Stan, who has brought his singers down, is forced into a number that crowds some of them off and further upsets his fine, carefully-prepared programme.

A request for a sailor chanty comes next—*"Blow the Man Down."*

Stan's soprano is still waiting, but again he is forced, with his singing veterans, to give a number that's holding off the air artists he has brought down.

He's obliging but mad.

Then you are all set for the soprano and along comes another message from Taskmaster Bill.

"Put the appeal over the air. What's the matter with you? Haven't you realized yet you are there for one purpose, and only one purpose, and that's to raise money?" Broadcast the appeal message, against

"But George MacDonald has just given it, Bill. It interrupts the programme too much."

"I don't care," he barks. "Give it again. If you have lost your script, give them that 'Please! Please!' cry like George I. Warren did the other night. That brought hundreds in."

"But Bill, there's a fine Welsh number coming up."

"Give the appeal! Get the money! That's the kind of music I like," he barks.

So with the entertainers glaring at the interruptions in their programme, and the announcer, or at least I was, reduced to a state of jitters, he is forced on to the air to tell about 700 starving families looking to this fund so that they, too, may share in the Christmas season like the rest of the citizens of Victoria.

No wonder that sometimes it goes: "This appeal, ladies and gentlemen, is to starve 700 families, I mean for seven starving hundred families," or "this appeal is for seven families starving a hundred Welsh singers."

They tell me even the experts like Duke McLeod trip once in a while, and if they had a Dictator Davies riding them with "get the money, get the money," all the time, they might trip more often.

George managed to retain his poise and calm most of the time, but once in a while it got even a veteran public figure like him down.

The trouble with Dictator Davies is, there's no music in his soul except the clink of dollars when there's a Christmas Cheer drive on.

He would crowd Grace Moore off the air for a \$2 request number.

I hope he puts on another drive next year. I hope he asks me to broadcast again.

I will be able to tell him then in the most forceful language that I can find what I think about it, winding up with the well-known injunction "Let George do it."

And it will be in very good hands at that.



Carrying candles in true Christmas fashion, the Dionne quintuplets are off to bed, to dream of reindeer and Santa's sleigh and all the marvelous gifts the jolly old Saint will leave on his visit to the nursery tonight. As they trudge up the stairs Annie, highest, is about to offer Yvonne advice on how to hold a candlestick. Cecile holds hers high and Emilie makes sure she'll get no wax on her pyjamas, even though the candles aren't lighted. Marie thinks it a great lark.

## Nellie's Christmas Story

By NELLIE L. McCLUNG  
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LITTLE MISS BANKS was in despair. Here was Christmas and she had no money. All her savings had gone to pay for her broken ankle, and never had money been more grudgingly paid; \$80 gone with the wind!

The money she had saved so happily for her Christmas giving gone, and nothing to show for it but two receipted bills, one from the doctor, and one from the hospital. She marvelled at the accuracy with which the medical profession had gauged her resources. Fifty to the doctor, and \$30 to the hospital, the exact sum she had in the bank. Mental telepathy, that's what it was!

Wild thoughts raced through her brain. She would sell a ring—she would borrow money—she would ask her niece to lend her some! She knew very well she couldn't do this. She, who had never owed anyone a cent! She would be sure to die if she did, and leave a debt behind her. Not that Phoebe Banks would object to dying, but to leave a debt would be a disgrace to the proud name of Banks.

Phoebe Banks was a religious woman and felt she had a right to expect fair treatment from God. She had not complained when the money she invested in a little town in B.C. had been lost. Speculation was always dangerous. She could not expect any sympathy for this loss, but when a person is on an errand of mercy, and suddenly has the sensation of falling heavily on an icy crossing, for no good reason at all, there is cause for complaint. Miss Phoebe's heart grew resentful every time she thought of it. What did God mean by such high-handed methods? If she had forgotten her rubbers now, or had not been carefully picking her steps!

The first time she went to church, after her accident, the opening hymn had been "Oh for a Closer Walk With God!" and Miss Phoebe refused to sing it.

MORE and more she thought about her niece, her only relative at the coast. No, she certainly could not ask Ethel for a favor. Ethel who was her sister's only child, but Ethel had forsaken the proud Banks tradition. Sometimes Miss Phoebe was glad her sister had not lived to see the way Ethel had gone—associating with impossible people in a new sort of religion, if one could call it that, in a down town area; speaking at meetings, organizing parades, mentioned in newspapers, and calling all sorts of people by their first names! No modesty, no maidenly reserve. Miss Phoebe had washed her hands of all Ethel's iniquities.

But she had to have money. Not for herself, but for her pensioners! Miss Phoebe loved to call her poor family her pen-

sioners. It brought her back to the glorious days of old, when her people had lived in the great stone house on the St. Lawrence in eastern Canada, and dispensed charity with a free hand. Who could have dreamed that she, Miss Phoebe Banks, should ever come to the place where the loss of a wretched little sum like \$80 should embarrass her.

And again Miss Phoebe wondered what God was thinking of when he let her fall! How could she disappoint Mrs. Stocking, whose life was made miserable by a drinking husband and a son who was breaking her heart. How could she deny herself the pleasure of going out on Christmas Eve with her hamper of groceries and clothing. It was the high spot of the Christmas season, to ring the tiny doorbell at the poor tenement house and have Mrs. Stocking open the door, her tired face all smiles, to receive her bounty. Mrs. Stocking calling down blessings on her! Mrs. Stocking's mother had been a housekeeper in the big stone house.

And for him she now felt a sudden throb of understanding and pride! Miss Phoebe had the decency to blush when she realized where her vagrant thoughts were leading her.

ETHEL's wedding was held in a church, with candles and roses, and Lohengrin's Wedding March, as stately and dignified a ceremony as any of the living or dead Banks could desire, and then the scene of the party changed to the place called the mission, Miss Banks riding with the bride and groom, in a daze of delight. And to think that she had been on the point of refusing to come!

Ethel's husband had kissed her forehead, with old-world grace, and she stood beside her niece and received the guests, wondering more and more as the stream of people came to greet the young people. There were people in evening dress, and there were people very plainly dressed, but it made no difference it seemed. No one seemed to care, and every one was happy. Miss Phoebe was swept into a new and bewildering fellowship. She found herself talking familiarly to strange men. Suddenly a familiar voice called her by name.

"Oh, Miss Banks—I am glad to see you here. I've been thinking of you, and how good you've been to us all these years."

"Why, Mrs. Stocking, I did not know that you knew my niece," Miss Banks stammered. "It is Mrs. Stocking isn't it? You look so well and young. What has happened?"

"Everything! And it's all come about by Miss Ethel, and the doctor. My husband has a job now, and is a new man. Young Bill is back at school, and we're not on relief any more! I can't tell you all, but our problems are solved. I am giving presents this year, and life is all changed for us. We're moving on to the first of the month into a better house."

Miss Phoebe sought a quiet spot when the reception was over and looked about her in wonderment. From time to time she fanned herself, trying to rearrange her thoughts.

WHEN, late that night, Miss Phoebe Banks returned to her small apartment, she sat beside her little fire. She felt like Scrooge after the last spirit had deposited him on his own doorstep. The fire was the same; the books on the mantel were the same; nothing was changed but Miss Phoebe herself.

"It seems," she said slowly, "that there are better things than hampers to give to people."

Then she looked affectionately at the ankle which had been broken, now almost as slim as the other one.

"Operation successful!" she smiled, "and money well spent!" Lantern Lane, R.M.D. 4.

## Christmas Eve

Bells Tinkle In Swiss Gingerbread Villages At This Season

By MARIE WIDMER

IT IS ON THE DAY before Christmas and winter's magic has transformed the sun-burnt little mountain villages into clusters of utterly delightful gingerbread houses, with vanilla icing piled high on every roof. Above, with the lustre of a precious sapphire, stretches a sunlit sky and every bush and tree sparkles in nature's inimitable decorations.

Merrily tinkling bells resound here and there! Sleigh riders homeward bound, eager to reach a friendly hearth in time for the celebration of the gladdest and greatest festival of the year—Christmas, the anniversary of the birth of Christ, when the Christ child, the Christ child, walks on earth.

After the last traces of twilight have been absorbed by a silver moon and myriads of twinkling stars, there comes a sleigh, drawn by six magnificent reindeer. It is occupied by a radiant angel, the Christkindli, who on the eve of Christmas pays a visit to every home throughout the land, leaving it, however, to jolly old Santa Claus to still make occasional calls on December 6, on the birthday of the good Saint Nicholas, 11th century Bishop of Myra in Asia Minor.

Christmas trees of all sizes are piled high on Christkindli's sleigh, and they are heavily laden with apples, oranges, nuts and cookies. There are packages, too, of many shapes and dimensions, and with the aid of her helpers Switzerland's good spirit of Christmas distributes trees and gifts in her own fairylike way.

AROUND their Christmas tree every family now gathers, singing the beautiful carols of olden days, and reading anew the Bible's glad tidings of the Nativity.

Since nature invites to frolic on snow and ice throughout the winter months, good cheer, sociability and wholesome fun are delightful accompaniments of Christmas and New Year in Switzerland.

Follow that talling party! An endless row of sleds zigzagging their way through a wintry paradise. A friendly inn will welcome them at journey's end and a dinner fit for the gods, a siesta in the warm sunshine, possible in bathing suit attire, and perhaps some dancing will fill their hearts brimful with the joy of living.

Nearby an orchestra blends its rhythm with the graceful movements of skaters on an ice rink, while hockey players strive for new records, and curlers sweep frantically before their stones. Tobogganers and bobsleigners feel their hearts beat faster on breath-taking runs, and skiers, overwhelming in number, disport themselves on slopes suited to their respective skill.

The natives, who became proficient in winter sports when mere babies, now pay their holiday visits on skis. Card parties are arranged almost daily, for the Swiss are enthusiastic players of their national card game, "Jass," and it is not an uncommon sight to see three generations on skis emerge from the same home, some bound for a "Kaffreelatsch," and others for an encounter at "Jass."

NEW YEAR'S EVE, same as all over the world, is given to general merry-making. When the church bells announce the beginning of a new year in a glorious, country-wide chorus, bonfires will flare up on the mountain heights and young men will start threshing on specially constructed wooden platforms above their village. This strange old custom is said to be an invocation for a good harvest to come. Presently members of the local singing society, and there is one to be found in the tiniest village, will go from house to house, and with songs and an exchange of good wishes the new year has a hopeful start.

## From the Sidelines

If you wish to win fame, In this badminton game: You have to be right on your toes, Or you smash at the "bird." And then mutter, "My word," As "swish" by your racket it goes. The idea is not To stay parked in one spot; You have to be here, and then there, If you stand away back, With your feet in one track, Your side of the score will look bare. From watching, I see One has to be free Of rheumatics, gout or flat feet; For with creaks in your joints You'll score mighty few points, As your net rival puts on the heat. So I guess I'll not take A racket and make A bid for a share of that fame; I'd rather just look, From a nice restful nook, At the rest of them playing the game.

—T. N. PARSELL, Tod Inlet, P.O.

ONE'S first impression on entering an English prison built in the last century is that it was designed to break the spirit of any sensitive man.

—B. S. Townroe, critic of the British prison system.



**THIS CURIOUS WORLD** By William Ferguson



**A SPERM WHALE CAN EAT A TON OF FOOD DAILY!**

BECAUSE HE FOUND SO MANY SYSTEMS OF PUNCTUATION IN USE, TIMOTHY DEXTER WROTE A BOOK, "A PIKEL FOR THE KNOWING ONES," AND OMITTED ALL POINTS IN THE TEXT, BUT PRINTED FIVE PAGES OF NOTHING BUT PUNCTUATION MARKS AT THE END, FOR THE READER TO USE AS HE MIGHT WISH.



**ASH TREES BELONG TO THE OLIVE FAMILY.**

Not only is the ash a relative of the Mediterranean olive, now raised extensively in California, but it is a cousin to lilacs, privets, and forsythias. The ash is found in the tropics, as well as in the temperate regions.



**PEONY ROOTS** WERE WORN ABOUT THE NECKS OF CHILDREN IN OLDEN TIMES AS A GUARD AGAINST SICKNESS!



**THE SUN** RADIATES MORE ENERGY IN A SECOND THAN THE EARTH RECEIVES IN SIXTY YEARS!



**AIRPLANE STEWARDESSES** ARE BEING FURNISHED WITH CHARTS SHOWING HOW LONG TO BOIL EGGS, SOFT, MEDIUM, OR HARD, AT VARIOUS ALTITUDES.

Charts for cooks on airplanes show that, at an altitude of 5,000 feet, a "three-minute egg" should be boiled three and one-half minutes. At 12,000 feet, the egg should boil for four and one-half minutes.

**BARTHOLOMEW CHASSENEE,** DISTINGUISHED FRENCH JURIST OF THE 16TH CENTURY, MADE HIS REPUTATION DEFENDING SOME RATS THAT WERE ON TRIAL FOR HAVING DESTROYED THE BARLEY CROP.



**ORDINARY DOMESTIC COWS** ARE BEING PLACED IN SOME METROPOLITAN ZOOS IN ORDER THAT CHILDREN IN THE CITY MAY SEE WHERE MILK COMES FROM.



**HUDSON BAY** IS NOT A BAY, BUT AN INLAND SEA!

Chassenee made an eloquent plea in behalf of the rats and when they were cited to appear in court, he said that they should be excused, since the presence of rats in the neighborhood made it unsafe for them to appear.

**THE NUT CHES & WAL**



HM-M-I ASKED SANTA FOR A FUR COAT, AND I GET THIS TIE. IT'LL NEVER KEEP ME WARM!

THAT'S WHAT YOU THINK--THAT TIE'S SO HOT IT'S GOT YOU BURNED UP NOW!

THEN I ASKED FOR A POLO HORSE AND ALL I GOT WAS TH' HORSE'S BRIDLE--SAID HE'D GIVE TH' REST TO ME ON TH' INSTALLMENT PLAN!

TH' STALLING OFF PLAN, YOU MEAN!

EXCUSE MY HORSE LAUGH I MUST'VE CAUGHT A COLT!

SECRET: STORIES A HEAVY LADY ON THE JOB

**CHES & WAL'S** ADVANCE 1938 SHOWING OF CHRISTMAS GIFTS

**A SHAPLY GIFT--** FOR PAPA IN WHICH HE CAN SAVE RUBBER AND CIGAR BANDS--IN CASE HE WANTS TO BE A BAND LEADER!

**NEVERDULL ICE SKATES** THESE ICE SKATES NEVER NEED SHARPENING--ALSO, ONE CAN SKATE INDOORS IF TOO COLD OUT!

**A MAN'S GIFT** THAT'LL PLEASE THE WIFE A DANDY COMBINATION PIPE AND MINERATOR--AS LONG AS HUSBY SMOKES A SMELLY PIPE, MAKE USE OF IT!

**A NIFTY GIFT** FOR HOME OR OFFICE--CORKSCREW AND FOUNTAIN PEN COMBINED

**A NEW DEAL IN CARDS** FOR YOU WHEN YOU NEED AN ACE--OUR MAGIC DEVELOPER WILL BRING IT OUT IF YOU CAN'T!

**ALL THESE FREE** SEND IN YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS ON AN OLD FIFTY-DOLLAR BILL

SEND NO MONEY!

**OUR BOARDING HOUSE**



EVERY CHRISTMAS I'VE PITCHED A PRESENT AT TH' MAJOR, AND HE'S NEVER TOSSED TH' BALL BACK!

TH' ONLY THING AMOS EVER PUT INTO A CHRISTMAS SOCK WAS HIS FOOT!

MERRY CHRISTMAS, JASON! WHERE IS TH' OLD SEA FIS?

MISTAH MAJOR'S STILL IN HIS ROOM! SEEMS LIKE HE'S STILL PETERED OUT FROM TH' ALL-DEM PACKAGES AN' SIKINS HOME!

WHAT A CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION! HE MUST'VE HAD A LOOK AT TH' GLOW ON HIS BEEZER!

HE'S ALL IN FROM WRESTLING AND DOWNING TOO MANY TOM AND JERRYS!

HE MUST'VE TAKEN ON A TANKFUL TO KEEP THAT BULL'S SAW GOING!

HE'LL THINK HE'S IN BORNEO WHEN HE WAKES UP AND HEARS A WAR DRUM POUNDING IN HIS BELFRY!

HE LOOKS LIKE A PORCUPINE WITH ALL THOSE PINE NEEDLES STICKING IN HIS HAIR!

I'LL BET HE GOT THAT WAY FROM CRAWLING UNDER CHRISTMAS TREES LOOKING FOR STRAY PRESENTS IN ROUND PACKAGES!

LOOK AT TH' SWAG! HE WOBBLER INTO MORE HOUSES THAN SANTA CLAUS!

PEOPLE PROBABLY FIGURED IT WOULD BE CHEAPER TO GIVE HIM A PRESENT AND SEND HIM ON HIS WAY THAN TO HAVE HIM SAMPLING THEIRS!

UM-M--THIS OUGHTA MAKE US EVEN--EVERY TIME HE SHAVES HE SMELLS OF MY FACE BALM!

CIGARS--AND LOOK AT THIS MUFFLER!

AND PIPE THIS HAIR BRUSH!

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

WHAT A SANTA CLAUS IS TH' MAJOR!

**Alley Oop**



BEFORE WE HEAD BACK TO ADO WE'D BETTER GO SEE IF WE CAN FIND ROOBY AN' GIVE HIM A LIFT HOME.

WELL, HERE'S WHERE I LEFT HIM--LEAVING HIM TO SEE NOW.

HAN! YETI--THERE ARE HIS TRACKS! GOT GON DUNNY--TH'LL BE AN EASY TRAIL TO FOLLOW--AN' HE AIN'T HAD TIME TOO FAR--

SMELL! SMELL! SMELL! I'VE CAUGHT UP WITH TH' OL' BOY--JUST IN TIME FOR LUNCH!

WELL, FER--!!

**By V. T. Hamlin**



HAWKING--DON'T LET ON TO BOOTS, BUT--WELL, IT'S CHRISTMAS, AND UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES, YOU'D BETTER TAKE MY WATCH--WHERE IN BLAZES IS IT?

HI, AH--TOOK THE LIBERTY WOP GOKING KIT FOR YOU, GIRL! HE KNEW YOU'D BE NEEDING SOME MONEY, GIRL! HE OPE YOU WILL HAPPROVE HOF THE CHRISTMAS SHOPPING WE DID FOR YOU...

GOOD BOY! DID YOU--? YES, I--SEE YOU TOOK MY SKARE PIN, TOO.

YED, SIR! WE AD THAT FOR DINNER LAST NIGHT, SIR.

WELL, I MUST SAY IT WAS GOOD AND TENDER.

THANK YOU, SIR! MY ONLY OPE YOUR CUFF LINKS HARE HAS TASTY, SIR.

**By George McManus**



DON'T I TELL YOU THAT YOU'VE GOT TO FIRE THAT GIRL THAT YOU HAVE AS A SECRETARY?

I HAVEN'T HAD A CHANCE TO TELL HER--SHE IS IN TH' OUTER OFFICE--

WELL, I'LL TALK TO HER AND SHE WILL BE ON HER WAY OUT IN FIVE MINUTES--

HOW ABOUT LUNCH TODAY?

WOULD YOU LIKE TO GO TO A SHOW TONIGHT?

HERE'S A BOX OF CANDY--



# Related Holiday

By ELINORE COWAN STONE Copyright, 1937, NEA Service, Inc.

Last week: Linda and Captain Trent begin to find a place for each other in their lives. Little did they know, however, of the heartbreak that lay ahead.

## CHAPTER III

BARRY had not yet returned from bidding his friend, Lieutenant Rust, "Good luck" at the airport when Linda came in after mailing Mrs. Trent's Christmas cards next day.

It was not until she was preparing, a little forlornly, to go downstairs after dinner for a long evening alone with old Miranda that she heard the front door bang, and then a lusty baritone lifted in joyful, if not too tuneful, song.

As if by magic, the old house again came young and alive and friendly.

When Linda went downstairs to the drawing room, Mrs. Trent was not in her customary seat. Only Captain Trent was in the room, wandering about, picking up things aimlessly and putting them down again. At sound of the opening of the door he wheeled.

"The Duchess has run out on us," he explained, his eyes half laughing, half caressing, on her startled ones. "Gone to spend the evening with a sick friend."

"Oh!" said Linda a little breathlessly. "Then I guess I'd better go and finish wrapping up her parcels."

But he was between her and the door, his eyes laughing down into hers.

"Oh, I say!" he protested. "You're not going to leave me high and dry, too, are you? At least you might read me a bed-time story. Reading aloud's your job, isn't it?"

"But after all," Linda said, laughing at his air of a wheedling schoolboy, "there's nothing in my contract with your grandmother about entertaining visiting celebrities."

"Bring the parcels down and we'll have them done in no time. . . . Aw, don't be so tight with yourself, Titania," he coaxed. "How are we ever going to get acquainted if you keep yourself shut up behind a barbed-wire entanglement? Honest—it's God-awful lonesome down here."

Suddenly Linda remembered how very lonely it would be upstairs, too. She hurried up and brought down the parcels.

"You may help me wrap these," she said, "but first your grandmother does want the antiques in that cabinet in the dining-room dusted and rearranged before Christmas. You may come and watch me do those if you'll promise not to touch them."

"Who wants to touch them; now if—oh, but look here!" Barry broke off as he followed her into the dining-room, with his gleam of old silver and mirror-like surfaces. "Not the crystal candlesticks Alexander Hamilton gave Great-great-grandmother Trent for a wedding present, not the tea service Jerome Bonaparte—I say! You don't mean the Duchess lets you handle those?"

"Why not," asked Linda mildly surprised, as she drew up a stool before the delicate Louis XV cabinet and sat down. "It's one of the things she pays me to do."

"But never in all my days!" Barry seemed inexplicably pleased. "Have I known her to let anyone touch those sacred relics except herself and my own mother?"

"Why, it was quite natural!" Linda wished that he wouldn't hover there quite so close behind her. It made her fingers unsteady. "One day when her hands were bad with rheumatism, she showed me what she wanted done, and I've done it ever since."

"And I'll bet I can tell you what she said," Barry's amused voice went on. "She said, 'Only a gentlewoman, with a lady's hands, accustomed to nice living, can handle treasures like these properly.'"

Linda smiled a bit wryly. She was remembering something that had happened only day before yesterday. She had come in bubbling with amusement over something she had seen in the course of her daily walk about town. But old Miranda had not been amused by her story.

"Really, my dear Miss Benton,"

she had said, "I think I am safe in saying that no gentlewoman from this house ever went into that part of town before."

"Of course it was your hands that did the trick with Grandmother," Barry was saying as they returned to the living-room to wrap Christmas presents. "Did anyone ever tell you, Titania, that your hands are like soft white flowers? . . . Only much lovelier, because they're so much more alive. . . . When you look at them, you can't help wondering if they can be as warm and sweet and tender as they look. . . . How they would feel if one held them—like this, I mean—"

He took one of her small hands in his and pressed it against the lean, smooth, hard surface of his cheek—against his eyes, and against his lips. Then, as all the air about her warmed and tingled, he drew her quickly toward him, and into his arms.

It was much later that Barry said, laughing out delightedly, "I'll tell you what we'll do. Christmas morning I'll hang you up on a tree, all done up in tissue paper and silver trimmings to surprise the Duchess."

Linda shivered a little in the warm circle of his arms. All of a sudden she was remembering old Miranda's face that evening when she had twitted her grandson with having "a new sweetheart in every port" and he had said—with that instant of gravity so unusual with him, "You're wrong there. The lists are now closed."

And this was Miranda Trent's house.

Even as Linda struggled to put her thoughts in order there came a sound of a cane on the polished floor outside, and she had barely time to free herself before the door opened, and the old lady stood on the threshold.

In his first startled movement Barry had struck a vessel of lustrous Chinese porcelain that stood on a table beside him. Snatching at it as it smashed into a dozen pieces, he cut a deep gash in his wrist.

As old Miranda grimly surveyed the wreck of her treasure, Barry caught a handkerchief from his pocket and stood like a sheepish schoolboy, trying to staunch the blood that stained his cuff and trickled down his fingers.

Years ago, as a child in Paris, Linda had seen a hideous street accident; and since that time, try as she might, the sight of blood had turned her faint with horror. Now, though in that first moment she bent over Barry's wrist, trying to stop the red flow, she moaned in sick little gasps; and as the stain continued to spread, she wavered and sat down limply on a nearby chair.

"Come, come, Miss Benton!" old Miranda's voice tinkled like falling ice. "Fainting doesn't mend any broken bones. Please see if you can't control yourself and ring that bell."

"Oh, have a heart," Barry objected as Linda got up trembling. "I've seen hard-boiled marines turn green at sight of blood. We aren't all born to be top sergeants like you, you know."

"Get my first-aid kit, Jefferson," Mrs. Trent calmly directed as the old man appeared in answer to the bell, "and have Cicely bring some ice and a basin. And," finished the old lady, sweeping with her eyes the galaxy of indomitable Trent portraits that lined the walls, "if the women of this house had let their feelings get the better of them every time a crisis arose, you—Barrymore Trent—might not be here at this moment—nor, in all probability, the house, itself."

Cicely appeared, and old Miranda directed briskly, "Hold that basin here, Cicely. . . . Hold it, I said, not wave it! . . . And Miss Benton," she added as Linda hesitated in the background, "if you must shake like a forest in a storm, please go elsewhere to do it."

Linda retreated with what dignity her shaking legs lent her. As she clung to the banisters in the hall outside, she heard Barry's voice in quick protest, and heard his grandmother snap, "Fiddlesticks! She'll be all right in a few minutes. So will this scratch of yours. . . . And that's more than I can say for my Ming jar."

No, thought Linda, by no standards could she ever measure up to the tradition of the Trent gentlewomen. . . . And did not dream how soon and how bitterly she was to be put to the test.

## CHAPTER IV

EXCEPT for the light bandage around Captain Trent's left wrist, everything at the breakfast table next morning seemed much as usual.

From time to time, Barry, as usual, enlivened the meal with bursts of song, in spite of his grandmother's somewhat perfunctory remonstrances. His repertoire consisted mainly of spirited sea-going ditties, whose lines of which he hummed because he regretfully professed to have forgotten the words.

When Linda began in her warm, gentle voice, "I can't tell you, Mrs. Trent, how sorry I am about your jar," the old lady cut her off with a gracious gesture.

"Don't give it another thought, my dear Miss Benton," she commanded. "My grandson assures me it was entirely his fault. Since his early childhood he has been forbidden to approach that cabinet. . . . Just," she added dryly, as Barry greeted the arrival of fresh toast with a wholehearted round of melody, "since childhood he has been forbidden to sing at mealtime. . . . I'm sure I can't imagine, Barry, what Miss Benton must think of you."

Linda, who knew that the old lady did not care in the least what she thought, smiled faintly. In spite of old Miranda's assumption of disapproval, it was so obvious that she was enjoying herself immensely. . . . This, Linda gathered, was all as a Trent male should be—high-spirited, irrepressible, devastating—a sweetheart in every port, for instance.

And of course, if she guessed anything about last night, that is just what she thinks I am, Linda thought wryly, just another sweetheart in another port. . . . And after all, how could she be sure she wasn't? . . . Was Barry ever entirely serious?

"I'm sure I hope Miss Benton won't believe I'm as black as you paint me, Duchess," he said now with mock solicitude, his eyes seeking Linda's in a twinkle of amusement. "She must be a very well-brought-up young woman, herself, or you wouldn't think so highly of her opinion."

He took up the morning paper and opened it.

In a moment he said so sharply that his grandmother looked up startled from her mail, "I warned him—the blithering idiot! Well, he's down."

"Just who is down—and where?" asked Mrs. Trent calmly.

"Old Rust, and the devil of it is that no one seems to know just where," Barry was reading on rapidly. "The pilot of the big plane carrying the supplies lost him in the fog and turned back. . . . Last radio signals from somewhere over Nicaragua early this morning. . . . I told him that if he cracked in that jungle he had as much chance of being picked up as a needle in a haystack. But he wouldn't listen to me."

"And when," asked his grandmother dryly, "have you begun listening to good advice?" But Barry was reading on, his laughing mouth a straight line. . . . He was serious enough now, Linda thought.

When old Miranda rose from the table, she said, "Those parcels must really get off this morning, Miss Benton. Take George and the car. I shall not need you until after lunch. And no doubt you have some errands of your own to do."

Barry did not follow them from the dining-room. He hardly seemed to know that they were going.

Linda did have some errands of her own; and it was an ideal day for Christmas shopping—clear and cold, with a crisp fall of snow that made dazzling arabesques of the over-arching trees along the avenue, and crunched delightfully under foot.

Everywhere people were going about their errands with shining faces. Already some of the doors and windows showed holiday wreaths. In the church next to the court house a choir of children was rehearsing Christmas

carols, their high young voices rising shrill and sweet on the frosty air—"Noel! Noel! Noel! Noel! Born is the King of Israel!"

Linda, waiting at the crossing for the traffic, did not realize that she was singing with them, softly but clearly, until a round-faced, dark little man who was standing beside her turned to smile at her, a gamin smile that crinkled his face absurdly.

"Bravo!" He spoke to her with a faint twist of inflection that was not quite an accent. "Excuse me, Miss Benton, but that is a voice to pack 'em in the aisles."

Linda frowned faintly. She did not remember ever having seen the man before.

"Oh, no, you do not know me," he went on with his funny puckered smile. "But I heard you sing once before. It was in a hotel in New York—for charity. . . . and I have never forgotten you. Such freshness—such purity—such power—and you standing there so straight and young, like something out of a story book. . . . It was the kind of singing one does not forget."

Linda remembered now. That was the one occasion when her aunt had allowed her to sing before a public audience.

The little man was so wistful and friendly standing there that she smiled back at him. After all, it was Christmas week.

"Thank you," she said. "When you love to sing, it is nice to know that someone has liked to listen—and remembers. You were kind to tell me."

Linda made her purchases at the town's little gift shop—the knitting bag for Mrs. Trent, some trifles for the servants, and a book for Barry.

She was paying for the book when two elderly women advanced upon her. She recognized one of them as Miss Lydia Chattam who came to see old Miranda sometimes—always bursting with news. . . . Miss Lydia was a plump, pasty woman, with a nose that always looked cold, and pale, sharp eyes.

"Ah, just a minute, Miss Benton," she began now. "I hear that Captain Trent is at home for the holidays."

"Why, yes," Linda answered.

"He came last week."

"Isn't that just like Miranda Trent?" Miss Chattam turned to her companion. "Keeping him to herself all this while. I heard the other day—"

she lowered her voice.

One of a group of smart-looking younger women gathered at the book table turned to stare at Linda. As Linda picked up her bundles, she heard the woman ask in a careless, throaty drawl, "And who might the little Dresden shepherdess be?"

"His grandmother's maid, I suppose," said her companion negligently. "Did you see her blush? Well, Barry always did have a way with the lower class. . . . By the way, Rita, did you know Barry was to be here?"

"Naturally," murmured the one called "Rita." She was tall and lithe, with a warmth of copper-colored hair, a full red mouth in a pale, too-narrow face, and heavily lashed sultry eyes which swept Linda covertly from head to foot.

"I wondered why you got home ahead of schedule," said the other, and laughed significantly.

Linda fled with burning cheeks. . . . So Barry had a way with the lower classes! At lunch that day Mrs. Trent observed, her eyes trailing curiously over her grandson's face, "I hear that Rita Blanchard's back."

"Our dear Miss Lydia is still faithful, I see," said Barry smoothly. "And where had Rita been?"

"Here and there. No grass has grown under her feet, I do assure you, since her divorce was granted."

Barry's eyes danced wickedly over his grandmother's face; and Linda sensed undercurrents that she did not understand. She began to understand later in the day when she found old Miranda at the telephone.

"Of course, my dear Rita," she was saying, "I will tell the captain you called. . . . Ah, you must mean Miss Benton. . . . Indeed? But she has been with me for some time. . . . Yes, very charming to look at, is she not? We



Linda did as she was told, looking very sweet and proud as she prepared to face Mrs. Trent.

both—the captain and I—the old lady's face broke into what in any one else would have been a grin of gamin malice—"find it very pleasant to have such youth and freshness about the house."

Rita Blanchard, Linda reflected, must be at least 30.

But what, she thought, has Mrs. Trent against this Mrs. Blanchard that she's ready to use even me as a weapon against her?

## CHAPTER V

LATER that day, when Linda ran downstairs to fetch Mrs. Trent's afternoon mail, Barry stepped from the library door into her path.

"Don't I rate even a few minutes once a day?" he demanded; and swinging her from her feet, he held her close to him for a moment. Then he set her gently down again.

"You're so little, Titania—so little to do to a man what you're doing to me," he murmured. "I must go," Linda whispered on a quick breath.

Barry, she was remembering, had a way with the lower classes. "This afternoon, then," Barry begged, "while Grandmother's taking her nap. In the library—nobody comes there."

"No," said Linda. "No, Barry."

It was incredible that Geoffrey Benton's daughter, for whom to be sought after had always been as much a matter of course as to be served her morning coffee, should be standing here in a strange woman's house, feeling this hot, sickening humiliation.

"Why not?"

"Because," Linda flashed, "I can't be stealing around in your grandmother's house—hiding with you in corners like a—oh, Barry, you must see that I can't!"

"I do see." He had been holding both her hands; now he dropped them. "So you imagine I'd thought of it that way, do you—that that's the kind of thing I would want?"

He looked so hurt—so like a slapped little boy—that Linda, confused and wretched, cried swiftly, "No—not that either. But, Barry, she's so old—and you're all she's got."

"But after all, you're not taking away anything she's ever had. Good-Lord! I don't think of you exactly as a part-time grandmother."

Linda laughed in spite of herself.

"That's better." Barry caught her hand and drew her to a seat on the stairway; then he sat down on the step below her.

"You're not letting the Duchess's legend of the Trent women get you down, are you, darling? They were no doubt a fine, upstanding lot of women, as I should be the last to deny. But I'll take mine little and sweet, with hands like Titania's—" he lifted one of her hands to his cheek—"and feet that barely reach the floor when she sits in a man-size chair. And all the better if she turns pale at the sight of

blood—especially if it's mine. . . . Anything else?"

"Well—" Linda hesitated. It was hard to think with his dark head so near the touch of her hand. "We haven't known each other so very long, have we?"

"You'd be surprised to find out how much I know about you, but—he sat up and grinned as if at a new and entirely amusing idea—"I see! You're sold on that bromide of the Duchess about a girl in every port, eh? Well, there's this to be said about that: after you've knocked about a bit, you've picked up some pretty definite ideas about women. The girl I ask to marry me stays asked."

When Linda sat very still for a moment, not knowing what to say because she could not be sure how much he meant, Barry said, his eyes on the hand he still held in his, "Listen, Titania! Suppose you knew that I was going to—oh, let's put it differently! . . . Suppose you knew that I had to go away, almost at once, and might not come back for—well, for a long time. . . . Got that?"

"Yes," said Linda, startled by his unwonted gravity.

"Would you marry me then, or would you still feel that we must wait until we knew each other better?"

Linda said, "I would marry you if it were the last thing I did," and was amazed to hear her own voice speaking the words.

"In spite of the Duchess and what she might say?"

"In spite of the whole world." "And you will remember that I asked you this, and what you answered?"

"I will remember," she said. "That's being a fine brave Trent woman," Barry said, and laughed exultantly.

At the sound of impatient movements above, Linda broke away and ran guiltily up the stairs. Looking down from the turn at the landing, she saw that he was still laughing up at her, his hands clasped above his head in an absurd gesture of self-congratulation, that wicked glint in his eyes that always made his grandmother say, "Now he's up to some meanness."

And I thought he was in earnest, Linda thought as she fled.

A little later that afternoon Linda thought she had the answer to the question she had asked herself earlier in the day. Old Miranda, answering the telephone at her elbow in the drawing-room called to Linda as she passed in the hall outside, "Oh, Miss Benton, please tell my grandson that Mrs. Blanchard wishes to speak to him. . . . Oh, and, Miss Benton, the Christmas wreaths have been delivered. Won't you see that they are properly placed?"

Linda, hanging Christmas wreaths in the front parlor, tried not to listen to Barry's brief telephone conversation in the hall. But she could not help hearing him say laughingly just before he hung up, "Why, yes, Rita. I

might be able to manage that—for old times' sake—if you'll promise not to invite the whole county."

Old Miranda evidently heard, too; for when her grandson came into the room, she studied his blandly innocent face with shrewd speculation before she said, "Now since when, Barrymore Trent, have you taken the veil and forsworn society?"

Linda hurried upstairs. She did not want to talk to Barry just then.

She did not have a later opportunity, for a few minutes afterward he dashed out of the house and drove away. He did not return for dinner, nor for the evening in the drawing-room. Linda did not ask any questions about him; and old Miranda did not volunteer any information.

Linda hated herself for the thought, but it would come, turning her alternately cold and hot with shame and misery: now Barry gone to Rita Blanchard—almost directly from those moments with her on the stairway? Had all that been really just some of his teasing nonsense? . . . After all, just what had he said that afternoon? Not "will you marry me?" but "would you marry me if—" Did old Miranda guess, too, that he had gone to Mrs. Blanchard? For old Miranda was strangely silent that evening.

They did not play their usual game. Once in the early evening Mrs. Trent glanced at the clock, which it seemed to Linda she had been furtively watching ever since dinner, and asked Linda to turn on the radio. She listened impassively to a brief news broadcast, and with a silent movement of her hand, ordered it off again.

"It seems strange that there isn't any trace of that plane Captain Trent was so worried about, doesn't it?" Linda roused from her own unhappy thought to say, "He said Lieutenant Rust is the best pilot he knows."

"Ah?" said old Miranda absently. "So he did. . . . Well, sooner or later, for the best of them, there seems to come one last time. No wonder they're a heedless lot. . . . Shall we go on with our reading, my dear Miss Benton?"

So Linda read on and on. But this evening Miranda Trent did not knit, nor did she drowse—nor did she seem to listen. She sat very straight as usual, her eyes on some dim, dark distance, as if they would penetrate space, and find out something beyond the ken of ordinary vision.

It was almost midnight when Barry came in. At sight of his tense, tired face, old Miranda got slowly to her feet, her hands trembling a little on the head of her cane.

"Well?" she asked simply. "Well?" and stood waiting.

Then, when he only nodded, she said, "I see," and sat down a little heavily on the chair behind her, her eyes never leaving her grandson's face.

(To be continued.)



## TARZAN UNDER FIRE

—By Edgar Rice Burroughs



Through the dark, mysterious jungle of Africa, a long safari wound its way like a great, sluggish serpent. The travelers believed they were far from the eyes and haunts of men; but through the trees above them glided a silent human figure, watching alertly.



"Now in country of Tarzan of the Apes," the native guide declared proudly. "Huh! Looking for Tarzan in this endless wilderness is worse than hunting for a needle in a haystack." Stanley Wood remarked wearily to his sole white companion, Robert van Eyk.



Suddenly, as if there were some magic in his words to conjure up the object of his search, before his eyes, plummeting from the trees directly into the trail, "I am Tarzan," the figure announced: "what do you want?"



The black carriers stood gazing with awe at the Jungle Lord, who was the subject of a thousand heroic tales. Even Stanley Wood was too startled to make an immediate reply. "What do you want of me?" Tarzan repeated. "Perhaps your life!" Wood answered slowly.



There was something in the manner of the ape-man that demanded a quick, straightforward explanation, without useless palaver. "We are going in search of Lord and Lady Mountford," Stanley Wood declared gravely. "Have you heard of them?" Tarzan nodded.



Almost as long as he could remember, it seemed, the strange disappearance of the titled English couple had been one of the sensational mysteries of Africa. Twenty years ago they had gone into the far north, and the wilderness had swallowed them utterly.



"I've been studying the case for two years," Wood said earnestly; "and I believe they're still alive. Anyway, I'm going to find out." "You know, of course," Tarzan reminded him, "that many expeditions have gone before you—and not one has returned."



"We're willing to risk it," Wood declared; "will you go with us? I'm warning you that you might not come back—none of us might. The devilish thing that got the others may get us. There's danger—" The Jungle Lord cut him short. "I'll go," he said simply.



"Whether Lord and Lady Mountford were alive or not meant little to Tarzan. But he was intrigued by the mystery of their disappearance. What strange thing had reached out of the jungle to clutch them? That, indeed, was something he would like to discover.



"I guess you'll want a couple of days to get ready," Wood said. The ape-man shook his head. "I'm ready now." For him the elaborate equipment that burdens civilized men is unnecessary. Except for his weapons he traveled unhampered, like a jungle beast.



Elated at having the aid of the mighty Jungle Lord, Stanley Wood commanded his safari to press on with new vigor. Day after day they pushed deeper into the wilderness, and at last they halted. Van Eyk put his finger on the map he had carefully prepared.



"This is our position, Lord and Lady Mountford were last reported here by friendly natives. After that—'fade-out!' Wood nodded solemnly. "This is the end—and the beginning of our trail." Tarzan of the Apes added grimly: "The frontier of the Unknown!"



Tarzan gazed out over the weird landscape. Straight ahead lay a plain, fringed by jungle. To the right, a river wound down from a distant mountain range. Somewhere, perhaps within the compass of his eye, lay the mysterious land for which they searched.



"There's no need for all of us to scout in the same direction," he said; "you follow the river; I'll go into the far jungle. In a few days I shall join you upstream. Then, we can compare notes." Without awaiting approval or dissent, the ape-man was gone.



Had he remained, Wood and van Eyk might have escaped the terrors and perils which were soon to assail them, but how was Tarzan to know? Never had his experience or imagination extended to the incredible forces which had their residence in those far mountains.



The safari moved on peacefully. Next day it picked up two white hunters, called Spike and Troll, who agreed to join the party. Three hours later, things began to happen. The first warning was the sudden appearance of a horde of tribesmen racing toward them.

## Hold Everything



"Are they fresh? Why, lady, if I had an iron lung I could revive them."

NOW, YOU TELL US JUST WHAT YOU WANT, AND IF YOU PROMISE TO BE VERY GOOD—



The Neighborhood Tough Boy

## How to Make and Keep New Friends

Dorothy Dix

Neglect Is Your Worst Enemy

A YOUNG GIRL ASKS—ME if I will tell her how to keep friends. Well, daughter, if you would keep friends you must cultivate them. Just because people like you at one time of your life is no indication that they are going to continue to like you unless you do something to stimulate their interest and affection and make them keep on liking you.



Most friendships are killed by neglect, and if you want to keep yours alive you must never cease nourishing them with little attentions and warming them with love. There is no place in a friendship where you can sit down and take it easy and let things slide. You have to be continually on the job if you want to keep it a going concern.

Many a friendship has been lost for lack of a letter or a telephone call. So if you want to keep your friends you must keep in touch with them. You must keep your image fresh in their hearts. You must do something to make life pleasant for them. You must send the telegram of congratulation; write the letter of sympathy; visit the sick, so that they will always feel that you are rejoicing with them in their good luck and grieving with them in their misfortune.

You mustn't expect too much of your friends. Many people lose their friends because they are too critical. They demand perfection of them. They drop this friend because she is faddy; another because she gads too much; another because she doesn't get along with her husband; others because they don't like their tastes, and they soon find themselves friendless. Whereas the wise thing to do is to take the best that people have to give and like that and ignore the rest. All of us have qualities that grate on other people's nerves.

If you want to keep friends you must never make friendship a racket. Because people give you their affection does not entitle you to graft upon them, or to expect them to support you, or to regard their belongings as your own. The quickest way in the world to lose friends is by borrowing and paying uninvited visits.

If you want to keep friends don't get too intimate with them. Don't pry into their private affairs. Never ask questions. They will tell you voluntarily all they want you to know. And don't unlock your own skeleton closet and rattle the bones in it for their entertainment. We never forgive others for our own indiscretions. Many a friendship has ended when two women let down their hair and told each other things that they should have cut out their tongues rather than reveal.

If you want to keep friends don't try to boss them. Because a woman is your friend is no reason why you should try to impose your religion and politics on her, make her join your clubs, go to your doctor and dentist and dressmaker, or supervise the way she raises her children and treats her husband. Friendship has to be free to last.

If you want to keep friends never tell them of their faults or the things they would rather die than hear. Leave that to their enemies. Nothing is more common than for a woman to make friendship an alibi for telling another woman the cruel and petty things that wound her pride or break her heart. Nothing could be more fatal, for no friendship ever survived a dose of home truths.

And finally, if you want to keep friends, don't put too great a strain on friendship. It is the flower and grace of life, not a meal ticket. It is a silken cord shot with golden threads that bind us lightly together, but it is not a hempen hawser to haul us out of the ditches we have fallen into.

It is a great art to know how to keep friends. It calls for exercising all the major and minor virtues, but it is worth all the trouble and work it costs. For, when all is said and done, life without friends, even though they borrow our automobiles and telephone us from the station that they are in town and tell us of our faults and shortcomings for our own good, is cinders, ashes and dust.

DOROTHY DIX.

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## Jocko Joins Quintuplets' Zoo

This Is the Gift Emilie Received After Unwrapping the Package in Color Sketch on Page 4



It's a monkey! Emilie can hardly believe it's true, and old Santa—who looks remarkably like genial Dr. Daffoe—chuckles as his tiny friend takes Jocko in her arms. The monkey's big eyes bulge as he sees what fun he's going to have with the Dionne quintuplets. He won't bite or make too much noise, for after all he's just a sawdust monkey.